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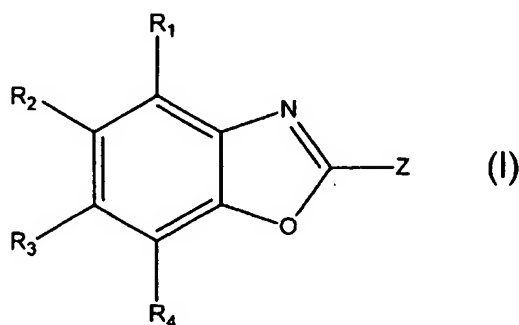
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(54) Title: **2-AMINO BENZOXAZOLE DERIVATIVES AND COMBINATORIAL LIBRARIES THEREOF**



(57) Abstract: The present invention relates to novel 2-aminobenzoxazole derivative compounds of the following formula (I), wherein  $R_1$  to  $R_4$  and Z have the meanings provided herein. The invention further relates to combinatorial libraries containing two or more such compounds, as well as methods of preparing 2-aminobenzoxazole derivative compounds.

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2-AMINOBENZOXAZOLE DERIVATIVES  
AND COMBINATORIAL LIBRARIES THEREOF

## BACKGROUND OF THE INVENTION

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## FIELD OF THE INVENTION

The present invention relates generally to the synthesis of compounds comprising heterocyclic rings. In one embodiment, the invention provides novel 2-aminobenzoxazole derivative compounds as well as novel combinatorial libraries comprised of such compounds.

## BACKGROUND INFORMATION

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The process of discovering new therapeutically active compounds for a given indication involves the screening of all compounds from available compound collections. From the compounds tested, one or more structures is selected as a promising lead. A large number of related analogs are then synthesized in order to develop a structure-activity relationship and select one or more optimal compounds. With traditional "one-at-a-time" synthesis and biological testing of analogs, this optimization process is long and labor intensive. Adding significant numbers of new structures to the compound collections used in the initial screening step of the discovery and optimization process cannot be accomplished with traditional "one-at-a-time" synthesis methods, except over a time frame of years or even decades. Faster methods are needed that allow for the preparation of up to thousands of related compounds in a matter of days or a few weeks. This need is particularly evident

when synthesizing more complex compounds, such as 2-aminobenzoxazole derivatives.

Benzoxazoles and related derivative compounds  
5 have been the subject of investigation in a number of different biological areas. For example, such compounds have been proposed or used as 5-HT<sub>3</sub> antagonists, 5-HT<sub>3</sub> agonists or 5-HT<sub>4</sub> (5-hydroxytryptamine, or seortonin) agonists (Monge et al., *J. Med. Chem.*, 37:1320 (1994) and  
10 Yasao et al., *J. Med. Chem.*, 41:3015 (1998); as antihistamines (Hong et al., *Tetr. Lett.*, 38:5607 (1997); and as immunological agents (St. Gorgiev et al., *Eur. J. Med. Chem.*, 24:639-41 (1989)).

15 Benzoxazole derivatives have long been the subject of serial chemical synthesis. See, for example, Iwamatsu et al., U.S. Pat. No. 5,631,257; Bowles et al., U.S. Pat. No. 5,206,366; De Nanteuil et al., 6,040,327; Griffin et al., 6,015,827; De Nanteuil et al., 5,972,968;  
20 Bradbury et al., U.S. Pat. 5,387,592; Poss et al., U.S. Pat. No. 5,190,942; Arrowsmith et al., U.S. Pat. No. 5,158,964; Iijima et al., U.S. Pat. No. 4,948,900; Iijima et al., U.S. Pat. No. 4,897,393; Saitoh et al., U.S. Pat. No. 4,728,612; Saitoh et al., 4,690,926; Dawson et al.,  
25 U.S. Pat. No. 4,416,892; Chu-Moyer et al., *J. Org. Chem.*, 60:5721 (1995); Lok et al., *J. Org. Chem.*, 61:3289 (1996); and Kover et al., *Synthesis*, 1124 (1994).

Benzoxazole derivative synthesis has even been  
30 extended to combinatorial chemical methods. Wang et al., *Tetr. Lett.*, 38:6529 (1997). However, the libraries to date contain compounds of limited diversity and complexity. Indeed, more complex benzoxazole

derivatives, especially those amino substituted at the 2-position, have been difficult to attain.

A need therefore exists to develop more complex  
5 libraries based on heterocyclic medicinal compounds that would need less time and effort in the synthesis and testing required to bring an organic pharmaceutical product to fruition. In short, improved methods for generating therapeutically useful heterocyclic compounds,  
10 such as 2-aminobenzoxazole derivatives, are desired.

This invention satisfies this need and provides related advantages as well. The present invention overcomes the known limitations of classical serial  
15 organic synthesis of 2-aminobenzoxazole derivatives, for example, as well as the shortcomings of combinatorial chemistry related to 2-aminobenzoxazole derivatives. The present invention allows for rapid generation of large diverse libraries of complex 2-aminobenzoxazole  
20 derivatives as discrete molecules.

The present invention can utilize a readily available pool of building blocks that can be incorporated into the various regions of the molecule.  
25 Furthermore, the method of making the present invention allows for the use of building blocks that contain a wide range of diverse functionality. Such building blocks can provide combinatorial libraries that consist of large numbers as well as combinatorial libraries that are  
30 extremely diverse with respect to the functionality contained within those libraries. The present invention combines the techniques of solid-phase synthesis of 2-aminobenzoxazole derivatives and the general techniques



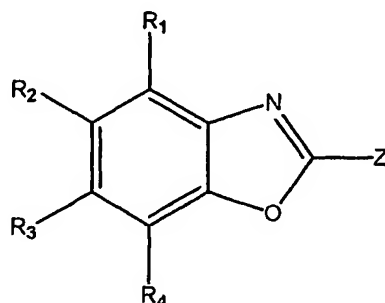
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of synthesis of combinatorial libraries to prepare highly diverse new 2-aminobenzoxazole derivative compounds.

## SUMMARY OF THE INVENTION

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The present invention relates to novel 2-aminobenzoxazole derivative compounds of the following formula:



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wherein  $R_1$  to  $R_4$  and  $Z$  have the meanings provided herein.

The invention further relates to combinatorial libraries containing two or more such compounds, as well as methods of preparing 2-aminobenzoxazole derivative compounds.

## BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF THE DRAWINGS

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Figure 1 shows a reaction scheme for the combinatorial synthesis of 2-aminobenzoxazole derivative compounds, showing  $Z$  of the claimed invention as Formula A. In step 1,  $R_1-NH_2$  is added in the presence of  $NaBH_3CN$  and  $DMF/1\% HOAc$  (noting that  $R_1$  of this Figure corresponds to  $R^{11}$  or  $R^{12}$  of the claimed invention). In step 2, carboxy-2-(methylthio)-1,3-benzoxazole is added in the presence of  $DIC$  and  $HOBT$ . In step 3, a diamine is

added in the presence of DMSO at 75°C (noting that R<sub>3</sub> of the Figure corresponds to R<sub>5</sub> of the claimed invention, and R of the Figure corresponds to R<sub>6</sub> and R<sub>7</sub> of the claimed invention. In step 4, R<sub>4</sub>CO<sub>2</sub>H or R<sub>4</sub>SO<sub>2</sub>Cl is added (noting that X of the Figure and claimed invention includes carbonyl and sulfonyl, and that R<sub>4</sub> of the Figure corresponds to R<sub>8</sub> of the claimed invention).

Figure 2 shows a similar reaction scheme as Figure 1, except showing a different resin-attached starting material.

Figure 3 shows a reaction scheme for the combinatorial synthesis of 2-aminobenzoxazole derivative compounds, showing Z of the claimed invention as Formula B. The reagents, materials and conditions are similar to those of Figure 1, as described above, except that, in step 3, an amino alcohol is added in the presence of N,N-dimethylacetamide and tetramethylguanidine at 73° C (noting that R<sub>3</sub> of the Figure corresponds to the nitrogen heteroatom and R<sub>5</sub> of Formula b of the claimed invention, and R<sub>4</sub> of the Figure corresponds to R<sub>8</sub> and R<sub>9</sub> of the claimed invention).

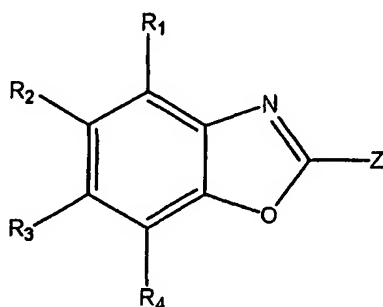
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## DETAILED DESCRIPTION OF THE INVENTION

The present invention provides compounds and combinatorial libraries of compounds of the formula:

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- where  $R_1$  and  $R_4$ , and one of  $R_2$  and  $R_3$ , are independently a
- 10 hydrogen atom, halo, hydroxy, protected hydroxy, cyano,  $C_1$  to  $C_{12}$  alkyl,  $C_2$  to  $C_{12}$  alkenyl,  $C_2$  to  $C_{12}$  alkynyl,  $C_1$  to  $C_{12}$  substituted alkyl,  $C_2$  to  $C_{12}$  substituted alkenyl,  $C_2$  to  $C_{12}$  substituted alkynyl,  $C_1$  to  $C_{12}$  alkoxy,  $C_1$  to  $C_{12}$  substituted alkoxy,  $C_1$  to  $C_{12}$  acyloxy,  $C_1$  to  $C_{12}$  acyl,  $C_3$  to
- 15  $C_7$  cycloalkyl,  $C_3$  to  $C_7$  substituted cycloalkyl,  $C_5$  to  $C_7$  cycloalkenyl,  $C_5$  to  $C_7$  substituted cycloalkenyl, heterocyclic ring, substituted heterocyclic ring,  $C_7$  to  $C_{18}$  phenylalkyl,  $C_7$  to  $C_{18}$  substituted phenylalkyl,  $C_1$  to  $C_{12}$  heterocycloalkyl,  $C_1$  to  $C_{12}$  substituted
- 20 heterocycloalkyl, phenyl, substituted phenyl, naphthyl, substituted naphthyl, cyclic  $C_2$  to  $C_7$  alkylene, substituted cyclic  $C_2$  to  $C_7$  alkylene, cyclic  $C_2$  to  $C_7$  heteroalkylene, substituted cyclic  $C_2$  to  $C_7$  heteroalkylene, carboxy, protected carboxy,
- 25 hydroxymethyl, protected hydroxymethyl, protected amino, protected (monosubstituted)amino, (disubstituted)amino,  $C_1$  to  $C_{10}$  alkyl protected amino,  $C_1$  to  $C_{10}$  alkyl protected (monosubstituted)amino,  $C_1$  to  $C_{10}$

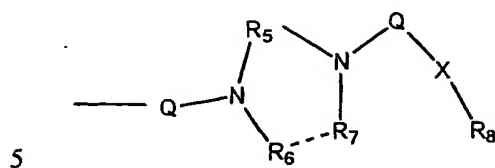
- alkyl(disubstituted)amino, C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>10</sub> substituted  
 alkylamino, C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>10</sub> substituted alkyl protected  
 (monosubstituted)amino, C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>10</sub> substituted  
 alkyl(disubstituted)amino, carboxamide, C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>10</sub>
- 5 alkylthio, C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>10</sub> substituted alkylthio, C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>10</sub>  
 alkylsulfonyl, C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>10</sub> substituted alkylsulfonyl, C<sub>1</sub> to  
 C<sub>10</sub> alkylsulfoxide, C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>10</sub> substituted alkylsulfoxide,  
 phenylthio, substituted phenylthio, phenylsulfoxide,  
 substituted phenylsulfoxide, phenylsulfonyl, substituted
- 10 phenylsulfonyl, (i) the formula -C(O)NR<sup>11</sup>R<sup>12</sup>, (ii) the  
 formula -SR<sup>11</sup>, (iii) the formula -OR<sup>11</sup> or (iv) the formula  
 -C(O)OR<sup>11</sup>, wherein R<sup>11</sup> and R<sup>12</sup> are, independently, a  
 hydrogen atom, C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>12</sub> alkyl, C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>12</sub> substituted  
 alkyl, C<sub>2</sub> to C<sub>12</sub> alkenyl, C<sub>2</sub> to C<sub>12</sub> substituted alkenyl,
- 15 phenyl, substituted phenyl, naphthyl, substituted  
 naphthyl, C<sub>7</sub> to C<sub>18</sub> phenylalkyl, C<sub>7</sub> to C<sub>18</sub> substituted  
 phenylalkyl, C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>12</sub> heterocycloalkyl, C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>12</sub>  
 substituted heterocycloalkyl, heteroaryl, substituted  
 heteroaryl, heterocycle or substituted heterocycle;
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- the other of R<sub>2</sub> and R<sub>3</sub> is a hydrogen atom, halo, hydroxy,  
 protected hydroxy, carboxy, thio, C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>12</sub> alkyl, C<sub>2</sub> to  
 C<sub>12</sub> alkenyl, C<sub>2</sub> to C<sub>12</sub> alkynyl, C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>12</sub> substituted alkyl,  
 C<sub>2</sub> to C<sub>12</sub> substituted alkenyl, C<sub>2</sub> to C<sub>12</sub> substituted
- 25 alkynyl, C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>12</sub> alkoxy, C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>12</sub> substituted alkoxy, C<sub>1</sub>  
 to C<sub>12</sub> acyloxy, C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>12</sub> acyl, C<sub>3</sub> to C<sub>7</sub> cycloalkyl, C<sub>3</sub> to  
 C<sub>7</sub> substituted cycloalkyl, C<sub>5</sub> to C<sub>7</sub> cycloalkenyl, C<sub>5</sub> to C<sub>7</sub>  
 substituted cycloalkenyl, heterocyclic ring, substituted  
 heterocyclic ring, C<sub>7</sub> to C<sub>18</sub> phenylalkyl, C<sub>7</sub> to C<sub>18</sub>
- 30 substituted phenylalkyl, C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>12</sub> heterocycloalkyl, C<sub>1</sub> to  
 C<sub>12</sub> substituted heterocycloalkyl, phenyl, substituted  
 phenyl, naphthyl, substituted naphthyl, cyclic C<sub>2</sub> to C<sub>7</sub>  
 alkylene, substituted cyclic C<sub>2</sub> to C<sub>7</sub> alkylene, cyclic C<sub>2</sub>

to C<sub>7</sub> heteroalkylene, substituted cyclic C<sub>2</sub> to C<sub>7</sub>  
heteroalkylene, carboxy, protected carboxy,  
hydroxymethyl, protected hydroxymethyl, protected amino,  
protected (monosubstituted)amino, (disubstituted)amino, C<sub>1</sub>  
5 to C<sub>10</sub> alkyl protected amino, C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>10</sub> alkyl protected  
(monosubstituted)amino, C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>10</sub>  
alkyl (disubstituted)amino, C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>10</sub> substituted alkyl  
protected amino, C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>10</sub> substituted alkyl protected  
(monosubstituted)amino, C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>10</sub> substituted  
10 alkyl (disubstituted)amino, carboxamide, C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>10</sub>  
alkylthio, C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>10</sub> substituted alkylthio, C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>10</sub>  
alkylsulfonyl, C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>10</sub> substituted alkylsulfonyl, C<sub>1</sub> to  
C<sub>10</sub> alkylsulfoxide, C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>10</sub> substituted alkylsulfoxide,  
phenylthio, substituted phenylthio, phenylsulfoxide,  
15 substituted phenylsulfoxide, phenylsulfonyl, substituted  
phenylsulfonyl, (i) the formula -C(O)NR<sup>11</sup>R<sup>12</sup>, (ii) the  
formula -SR<sup>11</sup>, (iii) the formula -OR<sup>11</sup>, (iv) the formula  
-C(O)OR<sup>11</sup> or (v) the formula S(O)<sub>2</sub>NR<sup>11</sup>R<sup>12</sup>, wherein R<sup>11</sup> and  
R<sup>12</sup> are, independently, a hydrogen atom, C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>12</sub> alkyl,  
20 C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>12</sub> substituted alkyl, C<sub>2</sub> to C<sub>12</sub> alkenyl, C<sub>2</sub> to C<sub>12</sub>  
substituted alkenyl, phenyl, substituted phenyl,  
naphthyl, substituted naphthyl, C<sub>7</sub> to C<sub>18</sub> phenylalkyl, C<sub>7</sub>  
to C<sub>18</sub> substituted phenylalkyl, C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>12</sub> heterocycloalkyl,  
C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>12</sub> substituted heterocycloalkyl, heteroaryl,  
25 substituted heteroaryl, heterocycle or substituted  
heterocycle;

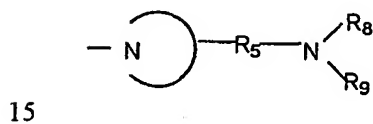
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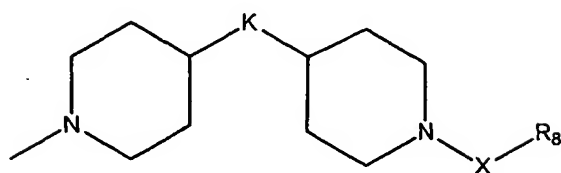
Z is the structure A:



10 or the structure B:



20 or the structure C:



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where, in structure A, Q is the formula  $((CH_2)_nNH)_m$ , where m is 0 or 1, n is 1 to 6 and the alkylene portion of Q is directly attached to the depicted nitrogen atom in structure A; and the dotted line between  $R_6$  and  $R_7$

30 indicates that  $R_6$  and  $R_7$  are optionally directly attached;

where, in structure B, the depicted cyclic portion is an unsubstituted or substituted heterocycle that is fully saturated, contains 4 to 7 ring atoms, 1 to 2 nitrogen

rings atoms and 0 to 1 other heteroatoms selected from oxygen and sulfur;

where, in structure C, K is absent or present and, if  
5 present, is a C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>12</sub> alkylene;

R<sub>5</sub> is C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>10</sub> alkylene, C<sub>2</sub> to C<sub>10</sub> alkenylene, C<sub>2</sub> to C<sub>10</sub>  
alkynylene, C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>10</sub> substituted alkylene, C<sub>2</sub> to C<sub>10</sub>  
substituted alkenylene, C<sub>2</sub> to C<sub>10</sub> substituted alkynylene,  
10 substituted epimino, C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>5</sub> substituted alkylene  
epimino, thio, C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>10</sub> alkylene thio, C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>10</sub>  
substituted alkylene thio, sulfonyl, C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>10</sub> alkylene  
sulfonyl, C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>10</sub> substituted alkylene sulfonyl,  
sulfinyl, C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>10</sub> alkylene sulfinyl, C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>10</sub>  
15 substituted alkylene sulfinyl, oxy, C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>10</sub> alkylene  
oxy, C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>10</sub> substituted alkylene oxy, C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>10</sub> alkylene  
dioxy, C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>10</sub> substituted alkylene dioxy, C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>10</sub>  
alkylene trioxy or C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>10</sub> substituted alkylene trioxy;

20 X is absent or present and, if present, is carbonyl,  
thiocarbonyl, thioester, sulfonyl and sulfinyl; and

where R<sub>6</sub> and R<sub>7</sub> are not directly attached to each other,  
they are, independently, a hydrogen atom, C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>12</sub> alkyl,  
25 C<sub>2</sub> to C<sub>12</sub> alkenyl, C<sub>2</sub> to C<sub>12</sub> alkynyl, C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>12</sub> substituted  
alkyl, C<sub>2</sub> to C<sub>12</sub> substituted alkenyl, C<sub>2</sub> to C<sub>12</sub> substituted  
alkynyl, C<sub>3</sub> to C<sub>7</sub> cycloalkyl, C<sub>3</sub> to C<sub>7</sub> substituted  
cycloalkyl, C<sub>5</sub> to C<sub>7</sub> cycloalkenyl, C<sub>5</sub> to C<sub>7</sub> substituted  
cycloalkenyl, heterocyclic ring, substituted heterocyclic  
30 ring, C<sub>7</sub> to C<sub>18</sub> phenylalkyl, C<sub>7</sub> to C<sub>18</sub> substituted  
phenylalkyl, C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>12</sub> heterocycloalkyl, C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>12</sub>  
substituted heterocycloalkyl, cyclic C<sub>2</sub> to C<sub>7</sub> alkylene,  
substituted cyclic C<sub>2</sub> to C<sub>7</sub> alkylene, cyclic C<sub>2</sub> to C<sub>7</sub>

heteroalkylene, substituted cyclic C<sub>2</sub> to C<sub>7</sub>  
 heteroalkylene, hydroxymethyl or protected hydroxymethyl;  
 or

- 5 where R<sub>6</sub> and R<sub>7</sub> are directly attached to each other are, they are, collectively, C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>5</sub> alkylene, C<sub>2</sub> to C<sub>5</sub> alkenylene, C<sub>2</sub> to C<sub>5</sub> alkynylene, C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>5</sub> substituted alkylene, C<sub>2</sub> to C<sub>5</sub> substituted alkenylene, C<sub>2</sub> to C<sub>5</sub> substituted alkynylene, substituted epimino, C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>5</sub>
- 10 substituted alkylene epimino, thio, C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>5</sub> alkylene thio, C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>5</sub> substituted alkylene thio, sulfonyl, C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>5</sub> alkylene sulfonyl, C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>5</sub> substituted alkylene sulfonyl, sulfinyl, C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>5</sub> alkylene sulfinyl, C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>5</sub> substituted alkylene sulfinyl, oxy, C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>5</sub> alkylene oxy,
- 15 C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>5</sub> substituted alkylene oxy, C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>5</sub> alkylene dioxy, C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>5</sub> substituted alkylene dioxy, C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>5</sub> alkylene trioxy or C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>5</sub> substituted alkylene trioxy; and
- 20 R<sub>8</sub> and, if present, R<sub>9</sub> are, independently, a hydrogen atom, C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>12</sub> alkyl, C<sub>2</sub> to C<sub>12</sub> alkenyl, C<sub>2</sub> to C<sub>12</sub> alkynyl, C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>12</sub> substituted alkyl, C<sub>2</sub> to C<sub>12</sub> substituted alkenyl, C<sub>2</sub> to C<sub>12</sub> substituted alkynyl, C<sub>3</sub> to C<sub>7</sub> cycloalkyl, C<sub>3</sub> to C<sub>7</sub> substituted cycloalkyl, C<sub>5</sub> to C<sub>7</sub> cycloalkenyl, C<sub>5</sub> to C<sub>7</sub> substituted cycloalkenyl, heterocyclic ring, substituted
- 25 heterocyclic ring, C<sub>7</sub> to C<sub>18</sub> phenylalkyl, C<sub>7</sub> to C<sub>18</sub> substituted phenylalkyl, C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>12</sub> heterocycloalkyl, C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>12</sub> substituted heterocycloalkyl, phenyl, substituted phenyl, naphthyl, substituted naphthyl, cyclic C<sub>2</sub> to C<sub>7</sub> alkylene, substituted cyclic C<sub>2</sub> to C<sub>7</sub> alkylene, cyclic C<sub>2</sub>
- 30 to C<sub>7</sub> heteroalkylene, substituted cyclic C<sub>2</sub> to C<sub>7</sub> heteroalkylene, protected hydroxymethyl, protected amino, (monosubstituted)amino, protected (monosubstituted)amino, (disubstituted)amino, C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>10</sub> alkylamino, C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>10</sub> alkyl



- protected amino, C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>10</sub> alkyl (monosubstituted)amino, C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>10</sub> alkyl, protected (monosubstituted)amino, C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>10</sub> alkyl (disubstituted)amino, C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>10</sub> substituted alkylamino, C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>10</sub> substituted alkyl protected amino, C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>10</sub> substituted alkyl (monosubstituted)amino, C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>10</sub> substituted alkyl protected (monosubstituted)amino, C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>10</sub> substituted alkyl (disubstituted)amino, carboxamide, protected carboxamide or (i) the formula -C(O)NR<sup>11</sup>R<sup>12</sup>, (ii) the formula -C(O)R<sup>11</sup>, (iii) the formula -NR<sup>11</sup>R<sup>12</sup> or (iv) the formula -C(O)OR<sup>11</sup>, wherein R<sup>11</sup> and R<sup>12</sup> are, independently, a hydrogen atom, C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>12</sub> alkyl, C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>12</sub> substituted alkyl, C<sub>2</sub> to C<sub>12</sub> alkenyl, C<sub>2</sub> to C<sub>12</sub> substituted alkenyl, phenyl, substituted phenyl, naphthyl, substituted naphthyl, C<sub>7</sub> to C<sub>18</sub> phenylalkyl, C<sub>7</sub> to C<sub>18</sub> substituted phenylalkyl, C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>12</sub> heterocycloalkyl, C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>12</sub> substituted heterocycloalkyl, heteroaryl, substituted heteroaryl, heterocycle, substituted heterocycle, C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>12</sub> acyl, C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>12</sub> substituted acyl, phenylsulfonyl, substituted phenylsulfonyl, C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>10</sub> alkylsulfonyl, C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>10</sub> substituted alkylsulfonyl, C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>12</sub> alkylaminocarbonyl, C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>12</sub> substituted alkylaminocarbonyl, phenylaminocarbonyl or substituted phenylaminocarbonyl; or
- R<sub>8</sub> and R<sub>9</sub>, together with the adjoining nitrogen depicted in structure B are, collectively, heterocycle or substituted heterocycle.

In one aspect of the above-described invention, there is the proviso that, if X is carbonyl, R<sub>8</sub> is not alkoxy.

In another aspect of the above-described invention, there is the proviso that X can only be absent where R<sub>6</sub> and R<sub>7</sub> are not directly attached to each other.

5           The subject invention also provides a salt of the above-described compound.

In another embodiment, the subject invention provides a compound or combinatorial library where:

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R<sub>1</sub> and R<sub>4</sub> are, independently, a hydrogen atom, halo, C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>12</sub> alkyl or C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>12</sub> substituted alkyl.

In an additional embodiment:

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one of R<sub>2</sub> and R<sub>3</sub> is a hydrogen atom, halo, C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>12</sub> alkyl and C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>12</sub> substituted alkyl; and the other of R<sub>2</sub> and R<sub>3</sub> is selected from the group consisting of hydrogen atom, halo, hydroxy, carboxy, thio, carboxamide, the formula  
20   -C(O)NR<sup>11</sup>R<sup>12</sup> or the formula S(O)<sub>2</sub>NR<sup>11</sup>R<sup>12</sup>, wherein R<sup>11</sup> and R<sup>12</sup> are, independently, a hydrogen atom, C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>12</sub> alkyl, C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>12</sub> substituted alkyl, C<sub>2</sub> to C<sub>12</sub> alkenyl, C<sub>2</sub> to C<sub>12</sub> substituted alkenyl, phenyl, substituted phenyl, naphthyl, substituted naphthyl, C<sub>7</sub> to C<sub>18</sub> phenylalkyl, C<sub>7</sub>  
25   to C<sub>18</sub> substituted phenylalkyl, C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>12</sub> heterocycloalkyl or C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>12</sub> substituted heterocycloalkyl.

In a further embodiment:

30   R<sub>6</sub> and R<sub>7</sub> are not directly attached to each other and are, independently, a hydrogen atom, C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>12</sub> alkyl, C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>12</sub> substituted alkyl, C<sub>3</sub> to C<sub>7</sub> cycloalkyl or C<sub>3</sub> to C<sub>7</sub> substituted cycloalkyl.

In another embodiment:

R<sub>8</sub> and, if present, R<sub>9</sub> are, independently, a hydrogen atom, C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>12</sub> alkyl, C<sub>2</sub> to C<sub>12</sub> alkenyl, C<sub>2</sub> to C<sub>12</sub> alkynyl, C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>12</sub> substituted alkyl, C<sub>2</sub> to C<sub>12</sub> substituted alkenyl, C<sub>3</sub> to C<sub>7</sub> cycloalkyl, C<sub>3</sub> to C<sub>7</sub> substituted cycloalkyl, C<sub>5</sub> to C<sub>7</sub> cycloalkenyl, C<sub>5</sub> to C<sub>7</sub> substituted cycloalkenyl, heterocyclic ring, substituted heterocyclic ring, C<sub>7</sub> to C<sub>18</sub> phenylalkyl, C<sub>7</sub> to C<sub>18</sub> substituted phenylalkyl, C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>12</sub> heterocycloalkyl, C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>12</sub> substituted heterocycloalkyl, phenyl, substituted phenyl, cyclic C<sub>2</sub> to C<sub>7</sub> alkylene, substituted cyclic C<sub>2</sub> to C<sub>7</sub> alkylene, cyclic C<sub>2</sub> to C<sub>7</sub> heteroalkylene or substituted cyclic C<sub>2</sub> to C<sub>7</sub> heteroalkylene.

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In a further embodiment, R<sub>8</sub> and R<sub>9</sub>, together with the adjoining nitrogen depicted in structure B are, collectively, a heterocycle or substituted heterocycle.

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Another embodiment of the present invention provides that R<sub>5</sub> is C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>8</sub> alkylene or C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>8</sub> substituted alkylene.

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In another aspect of the present invention, R<sub>6</sub> and R<sub>7</sub> are directly attached to each other and are, collectively, a C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>5</sub> alkylene or C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>5</sub> substituted alkylene.

A further aspect of the invention is where X is absent. In addition, X can be carbonyl or sulfonyl.

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In a further embodiment of the present invention:

$R_1$  and  $R_4$ , and one of  $R_2$  and  $R_3$ , are, independently, a  
5 hydrogen atom, halo, protected hydroxy, cyano,  $C_1$  to  $C_{12}$   
alkyl,  $C_2$  to  $C_{12}$  alkenyl,  $C_2$  to  $C_{12}$  alkynyl,  $C_1$  to  $C_{12}$   
substituted alkyl,  $C_2$  to  $C_{12}$  substituted alkenyl,  $C_2$  to  
 $C_{12}$  substituted alkynyl,  $C_1$  to  $C_{12}$  alkoxy,  $C_1$  to  $C_{12}$   
substituted alkoxy, phenyl, substituted phenyl,  
10 (disubstituted)amino,  $C_1$  to  $C_{10}$  alkylthio or  $C_1$  to  $C_{10}$   
substituted alkylthio;

the other of  $R_2$  and  $R_3$  is a hydrogen atom, halo, hydroxy,  
carboxy, thio, carboxamide, the formula  $-C(O)NR^{11}R^{12}$  or the  
15 formula  $S(O)_2NR^{11}R^{12}$ , wherein  $R^{11}$  and  $R^{12}$  are, independently,  
a hydrogen atom,  $C_1$  to  $C_{12}$  alkyl,  $C_1$  to  $C_{12}$  substituted  
alkyl,  $C_2$  to  $C_{12}$  alkenyl,  $C_2$  to  $C_{12}$  substituted alkenyl,  
phenyl, substituted phenyl, naphthyl, substituted  
naphthyl,  $C_7$  to  $C_{18}$  phenylalkyl,  $C_7$  to  $C_{18}$  substituted  
20 phenylalkyl,  $C_1$  to  $C_{12}$  heterocycloalkyl or  $C_1$  to  $C_{12}$   
substituted heterocycloalkyl; and

where  $R_6$  and  $R_7$  are not directly attached to each other,  
they are, independently, a hydrogen atom,  $C_1$  to  $C_{12}$  alkyl,  
25  $C_1$  to  $C_{12}$  substituted alkyl,  $C_3$  to  $C_7$  cycloalkyl or  $C_3$  to  $C_7$   
substituted cycloalkyl;

$R_8$  and, if present,  $R_9$  are, independently, a hydrogen  
atom,  $C_1$  to  $C_{12}$  alkyl,  $C_2$  to  $C_{12}$  alkenyl,  $C_2$  to  $C_{12}$  alkynyl,  
30  $C_1$  to  $C_{12}$  substituted alkyl,  $C_2$  to  $C_{12}$  substituted alkenyl,  
 $C_3$  to  $C_7$  cycloalkyl,  $C_3$  to  $C_7$  substituted cycloalkyl,  $C_5$  to  
 $C_7$  cycloalkenyl,  $C_5$  to  $C_7$  substituted cycloalkenyl,  
heterocyclic ring, substituted heterocyclic ring,  $C_7$  to

C<sub>18</sub> phenylalkyl, C<sub>7</sub> to C<sub>18</sub> substituted phenylalkyl, C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>12</sub> heterocycloalkyl, C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>12</sub> substituted heterocycloalkyl, phenyl, substituted phenyl, cyclic C<sub>2</sub> to C<sub>7</sub> alkylene, substituted cyclic C<sub>2</sub> to C<sub>7</sub> alkylene, cyclic C<sub>2</sub> to C<sub>7</sub> heteroalkylene or substituted cyclic C<sub>2</sub> to C<sub>7</sub> heteroalkylene; or

R<sub>8</sub> and R<sub>9</sub>, together with the adjoining nitrogen depicted in structure B are, collectively, a heterocycle or substituted heterocycle; and

R<sub>5</sub> is C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>8</sub> alkylene or C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>8</sub> substituted alkylene; and

where R<sub>6</sub> and R<sub>7</sub> are directly attached to each other, they are, collectively, C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>5</sub> alkylene or C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>5</sub> substituted alkylene; and

X is absent or present and, if present, is carbonyl or sulfonyl.

In an additional embodiment of the present invention, Z is the structure A. Further, provided is where the cyclic portion of structure A is 1,4-piperazine or 1,4-homopiperazine. In another embodiment, Z is the structure B.

In a further embodiment, R<sub>6</sub> and R<sub>7</sub> are directly attached to each other. Additionally is provided where R<sub>6</sub> and R<sub>7</sub> are not directly attached to each other.

In another embodiment:

$R_1$  and  $R_4$  are each hydrogen; and

- 5 one of  $R_2$  and  $R_3$  is hydrogen and the other is the formula  $-C(O)NR^{11}R^{12}$ , wherein one of  $R^{11}$  and  $R^{12}$  is hydrogen and the other is 2-morpholin-4-yl-ethyl, 3-pyrrolidin-1-yl-propyl, allyl, 3-fluorobenzyl, 2-piperidin-1-yl-ethyl, 4-morpholino-3-propyl, ethyl-4-butyryl, 2-methoxyethyl,
- 10 benzyl, 4-methylbenzyl, N,N-diethylethylene, N,N-diethyl-1,3-propylene, 3,5-dimethoxybenzyl, 4-fluorophenethyl, 4-fluorobenzyl, 2-fluorophenethyl, 2-(3,4-dimethoxyphenyl)ethyl, 2-pyridin-2-yl-ethyl, propargyl, 2-pyrrolidin-1-yl-ethyl, 2-chlorobenzyl, cyclopropyl,
- 15 pyridin-3-yl-methyl, 2-thiophenemethyl, 3-(methylthio)propyl, cyclohexanemethyl, 2-ethoxyethyl, cyclopentyl, cyclohexyl, 3-chlorobenzyl, 4-methoxyphenethyl, 2-(4-chlorophenyl)ethyl, 3-dimethylamino-1-propyl, 3,4-dimethoxybenzyl, 2-bromobenzyl, N-(3-propyl)-N-methylaniline, 2-propionic
- 20 acid, 2-(3-phenyl)-propionic acid, 2-(4-methyl)-pentanoic acid, ( $\pm$ )-tetrahydrofuryl, 3-imidazol-1-yl-propyl, 2-trifluoromethylbenzyl, cycloheptyl, 2,4-dichlorophenethyl, 1-(3-propyl)-pyrrolidin-2-one, 4-tert-butylcyclohexyl, 2,2,6,6-tetramethyl-piperidin-4-yl, 5-diethylamino-2-pentyl,
- 25 1,3-dimethylbutyl, 2,4-dimethylbenzyl, thiophene-2-ethyl, 4-methoxyphenyl, 4-piperidino-1-carboxylic acid ethyl ester, 3-methoxybenzyl, N-1-ethyl-N-1-m-tolyl-2-ethyl, 1-benzyl-piperidin-4-yl, 1-methyl-3-phenylpropyl, 2-fluorobenzyl, 3-(trifluoromethyl)benzyl, piperonyl, 1-naphthalenemethyl, 3,4-dichlorobenzyl,
- 30 (R)-(-)-1-cyclohexylethyl, (+/-)-1-(1-naphthyl)ethyl,

4-(trifluoromethoxy)benzyl or 5-guanidinopentanoic acid-2-yl.

In a further embodiment:

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Z is the structure A or the structure C, where:

X is carbonyl and the combination of X-R<sub>8</sub> is benzoyl, methoxyacetyl, tert-butylacetyl, 2,4-difluorobenzoyl, 10 2,4-dimethylbenzoyl, 2-ethylhexanoyl, 2-propylpentanoyl, 3-indolepropionyl, N-phenylanthranilyl, trans-2-carboxycyclohexanoyl, cyclohex-3-en-oyl, trans-pent-2-en-oyl, 1-methyl-1-cyclohexanoyl, 1-acetylpiperidine-4-carbonyl, cyclopropanecarbonyl, methanesulfonylacetyl, 5- 15 hexynoyl, 3-furoyl, 3,4-difluorophenylacetyl, 3-benzoyl-benzoyl, 2-(trifluoromethyl)phenylacetyl, 4-(trifluoromethyl)phenylacetyl, 2-acetylamino-3-(1H-indol-3-yl)-propionyl, 3-(phenylsulfonyl)propionyl, 2-benzyloxyphenylacetyl, benzo(b)thiophene-3-acetyl, 20 3-fluoro-2-methyl-benzoyl, 1-methylcyclopropane-1-carboxyl, (-)-menthoxyacetyl, cyclohexyl-1-acetic acid-1-methylcarbonyl, 2-(3-trifluoromethyl-phenylamino)-benzoyl, 2-ketobutyryl, 2-ethyl-2-hydroxybutyryl, 5-chlorovaleryl, 1-acetyl-pyrrolidine-2-carbonyl, 5- 25 chlorothiophene-2-carboxylyl, 2-(2-methoxyethoxy)acetyl, 2-methyl-3-furoyl, 6-heptynoyl or 5-methylisoxazole-4-carbonyl; or

X is sulfonyl and the combination of X-R<sub>8</sub> is 2- 30 mesitylenesulfonyl, 2-naphthenesulfonyl, 2-thiophenesulfonyl, 4-chlorobenzenesulfonyl, 4-fluorobenzenesulfonyl, N-acetylsulfanilyl, 2-acetomide-4-methyl-5-thiazolesulfonyl, 4-tert-butylbenzenesulfonyl,

- 8-quinolinesulfonyl, 3-chloro-4-fluorobenzenesulphonyl,  
 4-ethylbenzenesulfonyl, pentamethylbenzenesulfonyl, 2,4-  
 dichlorobenzenesulphonyl, 2-chloro-6-  
 methylbenzenesulphonyl, 3,4-difluorobenzenesulphonyl,  
 5 3,5-dichlorobenzenesulfonyl, 3-chlorobenzenesulfonyl, 3-  
 fluorobenzenesulphonyl, 4-  
 trifluoromethylbenzenesulphonyl,  
 2-(methoxycarbonyl)thiophene-3-sulfonyl, 1-  
 methylimidazole-4-sulfonyl, 3-chloro-4-  
 10 methylbenzenesulfonyl, 4-isopropylbenzenesulphonyl, 3,4-  
 dichlorobenzenesulfonyl, 1-naphthalenesulfonyl, 3-  
 nitrobenzenesulfonyl, 4-bromobenzenesulfonyl, 4-  
 nitrobenzenesulfonyl, 2,3,5,6-tetramethylbenzenesulfonyl,  
 p-xylene-2-sulfonyl, 4-n-propylbenzenesulfonyl, 4-n-  
 15 amylbenzenesulfonyl, 2-chlorobenzenesulfonyl, 5-  
 chlorothiophene-2-sulfonyl, m-toluenesulfonyl, 2-  
 bromobenzenesulfonyl, p-styrenesulfonyl, 4-pentylbenzene-  
 1-sulfonyl, 4-n-butylbenzenesulfonyl or 2-  
 methylsulfonylbenzenesulfonyl.

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Another embodiment of the present invention  
 provides a single compound or combinatorial library  
 where:

25 Z is the structure A, where:

m is 0;

R<sub>5</sub> is 1,4-butylene, 1,2-ethylene or 1,3-propylene;

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R<sub>6</sub> and R<sub>7</sub> are directly attached and, combined, is 1,2-  
 ethylene; or R<sub>6</sub> and R<sub>7</sub> are not directly attached and are



each selected from the group consisting of hydrogen and ethyl.

In an additional embodiment:

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Z is structure A, wherein:

m is 1;

10 n is 3;

R<sub>5</sub> is 1,2-ethylene; and

15 R<sub>6</sub> and R<sub>7</sub> are directly attached and, combined, is 1,2-ethylene.

In yet another embodiment:

20 Z is structure C, wherein:

K is absent or, if present, is 1,3-propylene.

25 The present invention also provides where Z is structure B. In a further embodiment, the cyclic portion of structure B is pyrrolidine, piperidine or piperazine.

In another embodiment:

30 the cyclic portion of structure B is 1,2-pyrrolidene, 1,2-piperidene or 1,4-piperazene, where R<sub>5</sub> is directly connected at the 2-position, 2-position and 4-position, respectively, of the cyclic portion; and

R<sub>5</sub> is methylene or ethylene; and

- R<sub>8</sub> and R<sub>9</sub> are, independently, hydrogen, methyl, ethyl, hydroxyethyl, benzyl, cyclohexyl, isobutyl, propyl, butyl, sec-butyl, hexyl, heptyl, allyl, cyanoethyl, 2-picolyl, cyclohexylmethyl, cyclohexylethane-1,1-diyl, N,N-diethylaminoethyl, N,N-dimethylaminopropyl or neopentyl; or
- 10 R<sub>8</sub> and R<sub>9</sub>, together with the adjoining nitrogen atom depicted in structure B are, collectively, pyrrolidin-1-yl, piperidin-1-yl, 3-(carboxamide)piperidin-1-yl, 2-(carboxamide)pyrrolidin-1-yl, 4-(methyl)piperazin-1-yl, morpholin-4-yl, 2-(hydroxymethyl)piperidin-1-yl, 4-(ethylcarboxylate)piperidin-1-yl, 4-(phenyl)piperazin-1-yl, 4-(2-pyrimidyl)-piperazin-1-yl, thiomorpholin-4-yl, 4-(benzyl)piperazin-1-yl, 3-(ethylcarboxylate)piperidin-1-yl, 4-(hydroxy)piperidin-1-yl, 3,5-(dimethyl)piperazin-1-yl, homopiperazin-1-yl, 4-(methyl)homopiperazin-1-yl, 20 2-(methyl)piperidin-1-yl, 3,5-(dimethyl)piperidin-1-yl, 3-(N,N-dimethylamino)pyrrolidin-1-yl, 3-(amino)pyrrolidin-1-yl, homopiperidin-1-yl, decahydroquinolin-1-yl or tetrahydroisoquinolin-1-yl.
- 25 The invention also provides methods of preparing 2-aminobenzoxazole derivative compounds and combinatorial libraries. In one method, such compounds and libraries can be prepared by starting with, for example, an aldehyde (SASRIN) resin, which can be reacted 30 with a primary amine to form a disubstituted amine attached to resin. See Step 1 of Figure 1 and Step 1 of Figure 3.

Alternatively, other resins, such as an mBHA Linker resin, can be used. See Figure 2.

Resin-bound 2-aminobenzoxazole derivative

5 compounds can be cleaved by treating them, for example, with a solution of trifluoroacetic acid in dichloromethane (TFA/DCM). With derivatives attached to mBHA Linker resin, cleavage can be achieved using hydrofluoric acid (HF) gas. The compounds can be  
10 extracted from the spent resin, for example, with acetic acid (AcOH).

A resin-attached amine can be acylated with a benzoxazole derivative that is carboxy-substituted on the  
15 benzyl portion of the bicyclic ring. The carboxy substitution can be, for example, at the 5- or 6-position. See Step 2 of Figure 2 and Step 2 of Figure 3. However, it should be understood that the substitution can occur, for example, at the 4- or 7-position.

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It should also be understood that the benzyl portion of the benzoxazole may be substituted by a variety of other moieties, such as a sulfonyl, which would result in a sulfonamide at that position of the  
25 final product. Alternatively, a resin-bound hydroxy can react with the carboxy group of the benzoxazole, resulting in a carboxy moiety at that position of the final product. In addition, a resin-bound halide can react with a phenol (OH) group attached to the 4- to 7-  
30 position (i.e., R<sub>1</sub> to R<sub>4</sub>) of the benzoxazole ring, resulting in a hydroxy group at that position of the final product. Similarly, a resin-bound halide can react with an -SH group attached to the 4- to 7-position (i.e.,

R<sub>1</sub> to R<sub>4</sub>) of the benzoxazole ring, resulting in an -SH group at that position of the final product.

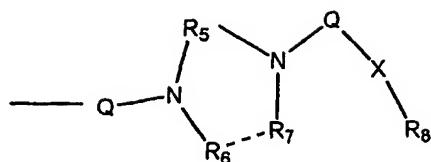
Moreover, a resin-bound halide can react with  
5 an -OH group attached to the 4- to 7-position (i.e., R<sub>1</sub> to R<sub>4</sub>) of the benzoxazole ring, resulting in an -OH group at that position of the final product. The resin can then be cleaved. The resulting product can then react with an alkyl halide or substituted alkyl halide in solution,  
10 resulting in an -OR at that position.

It should also be understood that the benzoxazole derivative introduced in this step may be further substituted at any or all of the other positions  
15 of the benzene ring (R<sub>1</sub> to R<sub>4</sub> of the claimed invention). For example, a variety of substituted 1,2-aminophenols are commercially available in the Available Chemicals Directory, many with functional groups capable of attachment to resin. In such cases, the benzoxazole ring  
20 could be formed first in solution.

The benzoxazole derivative can be further substituted with a leaving group, such as methylthio, at, for example, the 2-position or other positions on the  
25 benzyl ring. Other possible leaving groups include chloro and bromo.

The leaving group can be displaced with a diamine derivative or an amino alcohol derivative. Such  
30 a moiety can be, for example, formula A:

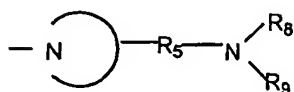
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(excluding "-X-R<sub>8</sub>" of formula A);

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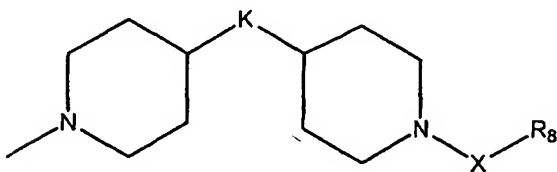
or formula B:



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(excluding "-NR<sub>8</sub>R<sub>9</sub>" of formula B and first having a  
15 hydroxy attached to R<sub>5</sub> (i.e., -R<sub>5</sub>-OH));

or formula C:



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(excluding "-X-R<sub>8</sub>" of formula C). See Step 3 of Figure 1,  
where Formula A (where Q is absent) is attached; and  
25 Step 3 of Figure 3, where Formula B (where R<sub>5</sub> is  
methylene) is attached.

As discussed above, in formula A, Q is the  
formula ((CH<sub>2</sub>)<sub>n</sub>NH)<sub>m</sub>, where m is 0 or 1, n is 1 to 6 and  
30 the alkylene portion of Q is directly attached to the  
depicted nitrogen atom in formula A; and the dotted line

between  $R_6$  and  $R_7$ , which are variable groups, indicates that  $R_6$  and  $R_7$  are optionally directly attached.

5 In formula B, the depicted cyclic portion is an unsubstituted or substituted heterocycle that is fully saturated, contains 4 to 7 ring atoms, 1 to 2 nitrogen rings atoms and 0 to 1 other heteroatoms selected from oxygen and sulfur, and  $R_5$ ,  $R_8$  and  $R_9$  are variable groups.

10 In formula C, K is absent or present and, if present, is a  $C_1$  to  $C_{12}$  alkylene, X is optionally present as a carbonyl, thiocarbonyl, thioester, sulfonyl or sulfinyl group, and  $R_8$  is a variable group.

15 Preferentially, diamines are symmetrical to avoid generation of regioisomeric mixtures. However, assymetrical diamines may be used, for example, 1,2-diaminopropane, lysine or 2,3-diaminopropionic acid. Diamines can have either primary or secondary amine  
20 termini.

The present invention further provides attachment of  $-Q-X-R_8$  of formula A or  $-X-R_8$  of formula C to the rest of the formula by, for example acylation.  
25 Alternatively, attachment of  $-Q-X-R_8$  of formula A or  $-X-R_8$  of formula C to the rest of the formula can be accomplished by sulfonation. See Step 4 of Figure 1. It should also be understood that this attachment can be done via other mechanisms, such as sulfination and  
30 thioacylation.

The method of the present invention also provides where the disubstituted amino ( $-NR_8R_9$ ) portion of

formula B is attached to the rest of the formula by displacing a leaving group. Such a leaving group can be, for example, a halo and, more specifically, bromo. See Steps 4 and 5 of Figure 3.

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When the above-described compounds include one or more chiral centers, the stereochemistry of such chiral centers can independently be in the R or S configuration, or a mixture of the two. The chiral centers can be further designated as R or S or R,S or d,D, l,L or d,l, D,L.

Regarding the compounds and combinatorial libraries described herein, the suffix "ene" added to any of the described terms means that two parts of the substituent are each connected to two other parts in the compound (unless the substituent contains only one carbon, in which case such carbon is connected to two other parts in the compound, for example, methylene).

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The term "C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>12</sub> alkyl" denotes such radicals as methyl, ethyl, n-propyl, isopropyl, n-butyl, iso-butyl, sec-butyl, tert-butyl, amyl, tert-amyl, hexyl, heptyl, octyl, nonyl, decyl, undecyl, dodecyl and the like. Preferred "C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>12</sub> alkyl" groups are methyl, ethyl, iso-butyl, sec-butyl and iso-propyl. Similarly, the term "C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>12</sub> alkylene" denotes radicals of 1 to 12 carbons connected to two other parts in the compound.

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The term "C<sub>2</sub> to C<sub>12</sub> alkenyl" denotes such radicals as vinyl, allyl, 2-butenyl, 3-butenyl, 2-pentenyl, 3-pentenyl, 4-pentenyl, 2-hexenyl, 3-hexenyl, 4-hexenyl, 5-hexenyl, 2-heptenyl, 3-heptenyl, 4-heptenyl,

5-heptenyl, 6-heptenyl, (as well as octenyl, nonenyl, decenyl, undecenyl, dodecenyl radicals attached at any appropriate carbon position and the like) as well as dienes and trienes of straight and branched chains.

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The term "C<sub>2</sub> to C<sub>12</sub> alkynyl" denotes such radicals as ethanol, propynyl, 2-butylnyl, 2-pentylnyl, 3-pentylnyl, 2-hexynyl, 3-hexynyl, 4-hexynyl, 2-heptynyl, 3-heptynyl, 4-heptynyl, 5-heptynyl (as well as octynyl, nonynyl, decynyl, undecynyl, dodecynyl radicals attached at any appropriate carbon position and the like) as well as di- and tri-ynes of straight and branched chains.

The terms "C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>12</sub> substituted alkyl," "C<sub>2</sub> to C<sub>12</sub> substituted alkenyl," "C<sub>2</sub> to C<sub>12</sub> substituted alkynyl," "C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>12</sub> substituted alkylene," "C<sub>2</sub> to C<sub>12</sub> substituted alkenylene" and "C<sub>2</sub> to C<sub>12</sub> substituted alkynylene" denote groups are substituted by one or more, and preferably one or two, halogen, hydroxy, protected hydroxy, oxo, protected oxo, C<sub>3</sub> to C<sub>7</sub> cycloalkyl, phenyl, naphthyl, amino, protected amino, (monosubstituted)amino, protected (monosubstituted)amino, (disubstituted)amino, guanidino, protected guanidino, heterocyclic ring, substituted heterocyclic ring, imidazolyl, indolyl, pyrrolidinyl, C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>12</sub> alkoxy, C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>12</sub> acyl, C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>12</sub> acyloxy, nitro, carboxy, protected carboxy, carbamoyl, carboxamide, protected carboxamide, N-(C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>12</sub> alkyl)carboxamide, protected N-(C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>12</sub> alkyl)carboxamide, N,N-di(C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>12</sub> alkyl)carboxamide, cyano, methylsulfonylamino, thiol, C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>10</sub> alkylthio or C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>10</sub> alkylsulfonyl groups. The substituted alkyl groups may be substituted once or more, and preferably once or twice, with the same or with different substituents.



Examples of the above substituted alkyl groups include the 2-oxo-prop-1-yl, 3-oxo-but-1-yl, cyanomethyl, nitromethyl, chloromethyl, hydroxymethyl, 5 tetrahydropyranyloxymethyl, trityloxymethyl, propionyloxymethyl, aminomethyl, carboxymethyl, allyloxycarbonylmethyl, allyloxycarbonylaminomethyl, methoxymethyl, ethoxymethyl, t-butoxymethyl, acetoxymethyl, chloromethyl, bromomethyl, iodomethyl, 10 trifluoromethyl, 6-hydroxyhexyl, 2,4-dichloro(n-butyl), 2-aminopropyl, 1-chloroethyl, 2-chloroethyl, 1-bromoethyl, 2-chloroethyl, 1-fluoroethyl, 2-fluoroethyl, 1-iodoethyl, 2-iodoethyl, 1-chloropropyl, 2-chloropropyl, 3-chloropropyl, 1-bromopropyl, 2- 15 bromopropyl, 3-bromopropyl, 1-fluoropropyl, 2-fluoropropyl, 3-fluoropropyl, 1-iodopropyl, 2-iodopropyl, 3-iodopropyl, 2-aminoethyl, 1-aminoethyl, N-benzoyl-2-aminoethyl, N-acetyl-2-aminoethyl, N-benzoyl-1-aminoethyl, N-acetyl-1-aminoethyl and the like.

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Examples of the above substituted alkenyl groups include styrenyl, 3-chloro-propen-1-yl, 3-chloro-buten-1-yl, 3-methoxy-propen-2-yl, 3-phenyl-buten-2-yl, 1-cyano-buten-3-yl and the like. The geometrical 25 isomerism is not critical, and all geometrical isomers for a given substituted alkenyl can be used.

Examples of the above substituted alkynyl groups include phenylacetylen-1-yl, 1-phenyl-2-propyn-1-yl and the like. 30

The term "oxo" denotes a carbon atom bonded to two additional carbon atoms substituted with an oxygen

atom doubly bonded to the carbon atom, thereby forming a ketone moiety.

The term "protected oxo" denotes a carbon atom bonded to two additional carbon atoms substituted with two alkoxy groups or twice bonded to a substituted diol moiety, thereby forming an acyclic or cyclic ketal moiety.

The term "C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>12</sub> alkoxy" as used herein denotes groups such as methoxy, ethoxy, n-propoxy, isopropoxy, n-butoxy, t-butoxy and like groups. A preferred alkoxy is methoxy. The term "C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>12</sub> substituted alkoxy" means the alkyl portion of the alkoxy can be substituted in the same manner as in relation to C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>12</sub> substituted alkyl. Similarly, the term "C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>12</sub> phenylalkoxy" as used herein means "C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>12</sub> alkoxy" bonded to a phenyl radical.

The term "C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>12</sub> acyloxy" denotes herein groups such as formyloxy, acetoxy, propionyloxy, butyryloxy, pivaloyloxy, pentanoyloxy, hexanoyloxy, heptanoyloxy, octanoyloxy, nonanoyloxy, decanoyloxy, undecanoyloxy, dodecanoyloxy and the like.

Similarly, the term "C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>12</sub> acyl" encompasses groups such as formyl, acetyl, propionyl, butyryl, pentanoyl, pivaloyl, hexanoyl, heptanoyl, octanoyl, nonanoyl, decanoyl, undecanoyl, dodecanoyl, benzoyl and the like. Preferred acyl groups are acetyl and benzoyl.

The term "C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>12</sub> substituted acyl" denotes the acyl group substituted by one or more, and preferably

one or two, halogen, hydroxy, protected hydroxy, oxo, protected oxo, cyclohexyl, naphthyl, amino, protected amino, (monosubstituted)amino, protected (monosubstituted)amino, (disubstituted)amino, guanidino, 5 heterocyclic ring, substituted heterocyclic ring, imidazolyl, indolyl, pyrrolidinyl, C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>12</sub> alkoxy, C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>12</sub> acyl, C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>12</sub> acyloxy, nitro, C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>12</sub> alkyl ester, carboxy, protected carboxy, carbamoyl, carboxamide, protected carboxamide, N-(C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>12</sub> alkyl)carboxamide, 10 protected N-(C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>12</sub> alkyl)carboxamide, N,N-di(C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>12</sub> alkyl)carboxamide, cyano, methylsulfonylamino, thiol, C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>10</sub> alkylthio or C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>10</sub> alkylsulfonyl groups. The substituted acyl groups may be substituted once or more, and preferably once or twice, with the same or with 15 different substituents.

Examples of C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>12</sub> substituted acyl groups include 4-phenylbutyroyl, 3-phenylbutyroyl, 3-phenylpropanoyl, 2-cyclohexanylacetyl, 20 cyclohexanecarbonyl, 2-furanoyl and 3-dimethylaminobenzoyl.

The substituent term "C<sub>3</sub> to C<sub>7</sub> cycloalkyl" includes the cyclopropyl, cyclobutyl, cyclopentyl, 25 cyclohexyl or cycloheptyl rings. Similarly, a substituent that can be C<sub>3</sub> to C<sub>7</sub> cycloalkyl" can also be "C<sub>5</sub> to C<sub>7</sub> cycloalkyl," which includes the cyclopentyl, cyclohexyl or cycloheptyl rings.

30 The substituent term "C<sub>3</sub> to C<sub>7</sub> substituted cycloalkyl" or "C<sub>5</sub> to C<sub>7</sub> substituted cycloalkyl" indicates the above cycloalkyl rings substituted by one or two halogen, hydroxy, protected hydroxy, C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>10</sub> alkylthio,

C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>10</sub> alkylsulfoxide, C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>10</sub> alkylsulfonyl, C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>10</sub> substituted alkylthio, C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>10</sub> substituted alkylsulfoxide, C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>10</sub> substituted alkylsulfonyl, C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>12</sub> alkyl, C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>12</sub> alkoxy, C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>12</sub> substituted alkyl, C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>12</sub> alkoxy, oxo, protected oxo, (monosubstituted)amino, (disubstituted)amino, trifluoromethyl, carboxy, protected carboxy, phenyl, substituted phenyl, phenylthio, phenylsulfoxide, phenylsulfonyl, amino, or protected amino groups.

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The term "cycloalkylene" means a cycloalkyl, as defined above, where the cycloalkyl radical is bonded at two positions connecting together two separate additional groups. Similarly, the term "substituted cycloalkylene" means a cycloalkylene where the cycloalkyl radical is bonded at two positions connecting together two separate additional groups and further bearing at least one additional substituent.

The term "C<sub>5</sub> to C<sub>7</sub> cycloalkenyl" indicates a 1,2, or 3-cyclopentenyl ring, a 1,2,3 or 4-cyclohexenyl ring or a 1,2,3,4 or 5-cycloheptenyl ring, while the term "substituted C<sub>5</sub> to C<sub>7</sub> cycloalkenyl" denotes the above C<sub>5</sub> to C<sub>7</sub> cycloalkenyl rings substituted by a C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>12</sub> alkyl radical, halogen, hydroxy, protected hydroxy, C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>12</sub> alkoxy, trifluoromethyl, carboxy, protected carboxy, oxo, protected oxo, (monosubstituted)amino, protected (monosubstituted)amino, (disubstituted)amino, phenyl, substituted phenyl, amino, or protected amino.

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The term "C<sub>5</sub> to C<sub>7</sub> cycloalkenylene" is a cycloalkenyl ring, as defined above, where the cycloalkenyl radical is bonded at two positions

connecting together two separate additional groups.  
Examples of C<sub>5</sub> to C<sub>7</sub> cycloalkenylenes include  
1,3-cyclopentylene and 1,2-cyclohexylene.

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cycloalkenylene" means a cycloalkenylene further  
substituted by halogen, hydroxy, protected hydroxy, C<sub>1</sub> to  
C<sub>10</sub> alkylthio, C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>10</sub> alkylsulfoxide, C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>10</sub>  
alkylsulfonyl, C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>10</sub> substituted alkylthio, C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>10</sub>  
10 substituted alkylsulfoxide, C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>10</sub> substituted  
alkylsulfonyl, C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>12</sub> alkyl, C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>12</sub> alkoxy, C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>12</sub>  
substituted alkyl, C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>12</sub> alkoxy, oxo, protected oxo,  
(monosubstituted)amino, (disubstituted)amino,  
trifluoromethyl, carboxy, protected carboxy, phenyl,  
15 substituted phenyl, phenylthio, phenylsulfoxide,  
phenylsulfonyl, amino, or protected amino group.  
Examples of substituted C<sub>5</sub> to C<sub>7</sub> cycloalkenylenes include  
4-chloro-1,3-cyclopentylene and  
4-methyl-1,2-cyclohexylene.

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denotes optionally substituted five-membered to eight-  
membered rings that have 1 to 4 heteroatoms, such as  
oxygen, sulfur and/or nitrogen, in particular nitrogen,  
either alone or in conjunction with sulfur or oxygen ring  
25 atoms. These five-membered to eight-membered rings may  
be saturated, fully unsaturated or partially unsaturated,  
with fully saturated rings being preferred. Preferred  
heterocyclic rings include morpholino, piperidinyl,  
piperazinyl, 2-amino-imidazolyl, tetrahydrofurano,  
30 pyrrolo, tetrahydrothiophen-yl, hexylmethylenimine and  
heptylmethylenimine.

The term "substituted heterocycle" or "substituted heterocyclic ring" means the above-described heterocyclic ring is substituted with, for example, one or more, and preferably one or two, substituents which are the same or different which substituents can be halogen, hydroxy, protected hydroxy, cyano, nitro, C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>12</sub> alkyl, C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>12</sub> alkoxy, C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>12</sub> substituted alkoxy, C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>12</sub> acyl, C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>12</sub> acyloxy, carboxy, protected carboxy, carboxymethyl, protected carboxymethyl, hydroxymethyl, protected hydroxymethyl, amino, protected amino, (monosubstituted)amino, protected (monosubstituted)amino, (disubstituted)amino carboxamide, protected carboxamide, N-(C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>12</sub> alkyl)carboxamide, protected N-(C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>12</sub> alkyl)carboxamide, N, N-di(C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>12</sub> alkyl)carboxamide, trifluoromethyl, N-((C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>12</sub> alkyl)sulfonyl)amino, N-(phenylsulfonyl)amino, heterocycle or substituted heterocycle groups.

The term "heteroaryl" means a heterocyclic aromatic derivative which is a five-membered or six-membered ring system having from 1 to 4 heteroatoms, such as oxygen, sulfur and/or nitrogen, in particular nitrogen, either alone or in conjunction with sulfur or oxygen ring atoms. Examples of heteroaryls include pyridinyl, pyrimidinyl, and pyrazinyl, pyridazinyl, pyrrolo, furano, oxazolo, isoxazolo, phthalimido, thiazolo and the like.

The term "substituted heteroaryl" means the above-described heteroaryl is substituted with, for example, one or more, and preferably one or two, substituents which are the same or different which substituents can be halogen, hydroxy, protected hydroxy,

cyano, nitro, C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>12</sub> alkyl, C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>12</sub> alkoxy, C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>12</sub> substituted alkoxy, C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>12</sub> acyl, C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>12</sub> substituted acyl, C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>12</sub> acyloxy, carboxy, protected carboxy, carboxymethyl, protected carboxymethyl, hydroxymethyl, 5 protected hydroxymethyl, amino, protected amino, (monosubstituted)amino, protected (monosubstituted)amino, (disubstituted)amino, carboxamide, protected carboxamide, N-(C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>12</sub> alkyl)carboxamide, protected N-(C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>12</sub> alkyl)carboxamide, N, N-di(C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>12</sub> alkyl)carboxamide, 10 trifluoromethyl, N-((C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>12</sub> alkyl)sulfonyl)amino or N-(phenylsulfonyl)amino groups.

The term "C<sub>7</sub> to C<sub>18</sub> phenylalkyl" denotes a C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>12</sub> alkyl group substituted at any position within the 15 alkyl chain by a phenyl. The definition includes groups of the formula: -phenyl-alkyl, -alkyl-phenyl and -alkyl-phenyl-alkyl. Examples of such a group include benzyl, 2-phenylethyl, 3-phenyl(n-propyl), 4-phenylhexyl, 3-phenyl(n-amyl), 3-phenyl(sec-butyl) and the like. 20 Preferred C<sub>7</sub> to C<sub>18</sub> phenylalkyl groups are any one of the preferred alkyl groups described herein combined with a phenyl group.

Similarly, the term "C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>12</sub> heterocycloalkyl" 25 denotes a C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>12</sub> alkyl group substituted at any position within the alkyl chain by a "heterocycle," as defined herein. The definition includes groups of the formula: -heterocyclic-alkyl, -alkyl-heterocyclic and -alkyl-heterocyclic-alkyl. Examples of such a group 30 include 2-pyridylethyl, 3-piperydyl(n-propyl), 4-furylhexyl, 3-piperazyl(n-amyl), 3-morpholyl(sec-butyl) and the like. Preferred C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>12</sub> heterocycloalkyl groups are any one of the preferred alkyl groups described

herein combined with any one of the preferred heterocycle groups described herein.

The terms "C<sub>7</sub> to C<sub>18</sub> substituted phenylalkyl" and "C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>12</sub> substituted heterocycloalkyl" denote a C<sub>7</sub> to C<sub>18</sub> phenylalkyl group or C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>12</sub> heterocycloalkyl substituted (on the alkyl or, where applicable, phenyl or heterocyclic portion) with one or more, and preferably one or two, groups chosen from halogen, hydroxy, protected hydroxy, oxo, protected oxo, amino, protected amino, (monosubstituted)amino, protected (monosubstituted)amino, (disubstituted)amino, guanidino, protected guanidino, heterocyclic ring, substituted heterocyclic ring, C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>12</sub> alkyl, C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>12</sub> substituted alkyl, C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>12</sub> alkoxy, C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>12</sub> substituted alkoxy, C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>12</sub> acyl, C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>12</sub> substituted acyl, C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>12</sub> acyloxy, nitro, carboxy, protected carboxy, carbamoyl, carboxamide, protected carboxamide, N-(C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>12</sub> alkyl)carboxamide, protected N-(C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>12</sub> alkyl)carboxamide, N, N-(C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>12</sub> dialkyl)carboxamide, cyano, N-(C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>12</sub> alkylsulfonyl)amino, thiol, C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>10</sub> alkylthio, C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>10</sub> alkylsulfonyl groups; and/or the phenyl group may be substituted with one or more, and preferably one or two, substituents chosen from halogen, hydroxy, protected hydroxy, cyano, nitro, C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>12</sub> alkyl, C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>12</sub> substituted alkyl, C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>12</sub> alkoxy, C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>12</sub> substituted alkoxy, C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>12</sub> acyl, C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>12</sub> substituted acyl, C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>12</sub> acyloxy, carboxy, protected carboxy, carboxymethyl, protected carboxymethyl, hydroxymethyl, protected hydroxymethyl, amino, protected amino, (monosubstituted)amino, protected (monosubstituted)amino, (disubstituted)amino, carboxamide, protected carboxamide, N-(C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>12</sub> alkyl)carboxamide, protected N-(C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>12</sub>



alkyl)carboxamide, N, N-di(C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>12</sub> alkyl)carboxamide, trifluoromethyl, N-((C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>12</sub> alkyl)sulfonyl)amino, N-(phenylsulfonyl)amino, cyclic C<sub>2</sub> to C<sub>12</sub> alkylene or a phenyl group, substituted or unsubstituted, for a  
5 resulting biphenyl group. The substituted alkyl, phenyl or heterocyclic groups may be substituted with one or more, and preferably one or two, substituents which can be the same or different.

10           Examples of the term "C<sub>7</sub> to C<sub>18</sub> substituted phenylalkyl" include groups such as 2-phenyl-1-chloroethyl, 2-(4-methoxyphenyl)ethyl, 4-(2,6-dihydroxy phenyl)n-hexyl, 2-(5-cyano-3-methoxyphenyl)n-pentyl, 3-(2,6-dimethylphenyl)n-propyl, 4-chloro-3-aminobenzyl, 6-  
15 (4-methoxyphenyl)-3-carboxy(n-hexyl), 5-(4-aminomethylphenyl)-3-(aminomethyl)n-pentyl, 5-phenyl-3-oxo-n-pent-1-yl and the like.

          The term "C<sub>7</sub> to C<sub>18</sub> phenylalkylene" specifies a  
20 C<sub>7</sub> to C<sub>18</sub> phenylalkyl, as defined above, where the phenylalkyl radical is bonded at two different positions connecting together two separate additional groups. The definition includes groups of the formula:  
-phenyl-alkyl-, -alkyl-phenyl- and -alkyl-phenyl-alkyl-.  
25 Substitutions on the phenyl ring can be 1,2, 1,3 or 1,4. C<sub>7</sub> to C<sub>18</sub> phenylalkylenes include, for example, 1,4-tolylene and 1,3-xylylene.

          Similarly, the term "C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>12</sub>  
30 heterocycloalkylene" specifies a C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>12</sub> heterocycloalkyl, as defined above, where the heterocycloalkyl radical is bonded at two different positions connecting together two separate additional

groups. The definition includes groups of the formula:  
-heterocyclic-alkyl-, -alkyl-heterocyclic and -alkyl-  
heterocyclic-alkyl-.

5           The terms "C<sub>7</sub> to C<sub>18</sub> substituted phenylalkylene"  
and "C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>12</sub> substituted heterocycloalkylene" means a C<sub>7</sub>  
to C<sub>18</sub> phenylalkylene or C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>12</sub> heterocycloalkylene as  
defined above that is further substituted by halogen,  
hydroxy, protected hydroxy, C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>10</sub> alkylthio, C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>10</sub>  
10 alkylsulfoxide, C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>10</sub> alkylsulfonyl, C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>10</sub>  
substituted alkylthio, C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>10</sub> substituted  
alkylsulfoxide, C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>10</sub> substituted alkylsulfonyl, C<sub>1</sub> to  
C<sub>12</sub> alkyl, C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>12</sub> alkoxy, C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>12</sub> substituted alkyl, C<sub>1</sub>  
to C<sub>12</sub> alkoxy, oxo, protected oxo, (monosubstituted)amino,  
15 (disubstituted)amino, trifluoromethyl, carboxy, protected  
carboxy, phenyl, substituted phenyl, phenylthio,  
phenylsulfoxide, phenylsulfonyl, amino, or protected  
amino group on the phenyl ring or on the alkyl group.

20           The term "substituted phenyl" specifies a  
phenyl group substituted with one or more, and preferably  
one or two, moieties chosen from the groups consisting of  
halogen, hydroxy, protected hydroxy, cyano, nitro, C<sub>1</sub> to  
C<sub>12</sub> alkyl, C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>12</sub> substituted alkyl, C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>12</sub> alkoxy, C<sub>1</sub>  
25 to C<sub>12</sub> substituted alkoxy, C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>12</sub> acyl, C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>12</sub>  
substituted acyl, C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>12</sub> acyloxy, carboxy, protected  
carboxy, carboxymethyl, protected carboxymethyl,  
hydroxymethyl, protected hydroxymethyl, amino, protected  
amino, (monosubstituted)amino, protected  
30 (monosubstituted)amino, (disubstituted)amino,  
carboxamide, protected carboxamide, N-(C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>12</sub>  
alkyl)carboxamide, protected N-(C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>12</sub>  
alkyl)carboxamide, N, N-di(C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>12</sub> alkyl)carboxamide,

trifluoromethyl, N-((C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>12</sub> alkyl)sulfonyl)amino, N-(phenylsulfonyl)amino or phenyl, wherein the phenyl is substituted or unsubstituted, such that, for example, a biphenyl results.

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Examples of the term "substituted phenyl"

includes a mono- or di(halo)phenyl group such as 2, 3 or 4-chlorophenyl, 2,6-dichlorophenyl, 2,5-dichlorophenyl, 3,4-dichlorophenyl, 2, 3 or 4-bromophenyl,

10 3,4-dibromophenyl, 3-chloro-4-fluorophenyl, 2, 3 or 4-fluorophenyl and the like; a mono or di(hydroxy)phenyl group such as 2, 3 or 4-hydroxyphenyl,

2,4-dihydroxyphenyl, the protected-hydroxy derivatives thereof and the like; a nitrophenyl group such as 2, 3 or

15 4-nitrophenyl; a cyanophenyl group, for example, 2, 3 or 4-cyanophenyl; a mono- or di(alkyl)phenyl group such as 2, 3 or 4-methylphenyl, 2,4-dimethylphenyl, 2, 3 or 4-(iso-propyl)phenyl, 2, 3 or 4-ethylphenyl, 2, 3 or 4-(n-propyl)phenyl and the like; a mono or

20 di(alkoxyl)phenyl group, for example, 2,6-dimethoxyphenyl, 2, 3 or 4-methoxyphenyl, 2, 3 or 4-ethoxyphenyl, 2, 3 or 4-(isopropoxy)phenyl, 2, 3 or 4-(t-butoxy)phenyl, 3-ethoxy-4-methoxyphenyl and the like; 2, 3 or 4-trifluoromethylphenyl; a mono- or

25 dicarboxyphenyl or (protected carboxy)phenyl group such as 2, 3 or 4-carboxyphenyl or 2,4-di(protected carboxy)phenyl; a mono-or di(hydroxymethyl)phenyl or (protected hydroxymethyl)phenyl such as 2, 3, or 4-(protected hydroxymethyl)phenyl or

30 3,4-di(hydroxymethyl)phenyl; a mono- or di(aminomethyl)phenyl or (protected aminomethyl)phenyl such as 2, 3 or 4-(aminomethyl)phenyl or 2,4-(protected aminomethyl)phenyl; or a mono- or

di(N-(methylsulfonylamino))phenyl such as 2, 3 or 4-(N-(methylsulfonylamino))phenyl. Also, the term "substituted phenyl" represents disubstituted phenyl groups wherein the substituents are different, for example, 3-methyl-4-hydroxyphenyl, 3-chloro-4-hydroxyphenyl, 2-methoxy-4-bromophenyl, 4-ethyl-2-hydroxyphenyl, 3-hydroxy-4-nitrophenyl, 2-hydroxy 4-chlorophenyl and the like.

10           The term "phenoxy" denotes a phenyl bonded to an oxygen atom, wherein the binding to the rest of the molecule is through the oxygen atom. The term "substituted phenoxy" specifies a phenoxy group substituted with one or more, and preferably one or two, 15 moieties chosen from the groups consisting of halogen, hydroxy, protected hydroxy, cyano, nitro, C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>12</sub> alkyl, C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>12</sub> alkoxy, C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>12</sub> substituted alkoxy, C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>12</sub> acyl, C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>12</sub> acyloxy, carboxy, protected carboxy, carboxymethyl, protected carboxymethyl, hydroxymethyl, 20 protected hydroxymethyl, amino, protected amino, (monosubstituted)amino, protected (monosubstituted)amino, (disubstituted)amino, carboxamide, protected carboxamide, N-(C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>12</sub> alkyl)carboxamide, protected N-(C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>12</sub> alkyl)carboxamide, N, N-di(C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>12</sub> alkyl)carboxamide, 25 trifluoromethyl, N-((C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>12</sub> alkyl)sulfonyl)amino and N-(phenylsulfonyl)amino.

          Examples of substituted phenoxy include 2-methylphenoxy, 2-ethylphenoxy, 2-propylphenoxy, 30 2-isopropylphenoxy, 2-sec-butylphenoxy, 2-tert-butylphenoxy, 2-allylphenoxy, 2-propenylphenoxy, 2-cyclopentylphenoxy, 2-fluorophenoxy, 2-(trifluoromethyl)phenoxy, 2-chlorophenoxy,

- 2-bromophenoxy, 2-methoxyphenoxy, 2-ethoxyphenoxy,  
2-isopropoxyphenoxy, 3-methylphenoxy, 3-ethylphenoxy,  
3-isopropylphenoxy, 3-tert-butylphenoxy,  
3-pentadecylphenoxy, 3-(trifluoromethyl)phenoxy,  
5 3-fluorophenoxy, 3-chlorophenoxy, 3-bromophenoxy,  
3-iodophenoxy, 3-methoxyphenoxy,  
3-(trifluoromethoxy)phenoxy, 4-methylphenoxy,  
4-ethylphenoxy, 4-propylphenoxy, 4-isopropylphenoxy,  
4-sec-butylphenoxy, 4-tert-butylphenoxy,  
10 4-tert-amylphenoxy, 4-nonylphenoxy, 4-dodecylphenoxy,  
4-cyclopentylphenoxy, 4-(trifluoromethyl)phenoxy,  
4-fluorophenoxy, 4-chlorophenoxy, 4-bromophenoxy,  
4-iodophenoxy, 4-methoxyphenoxy,  
4-(trifluoromethoxy)phenoxy, 4-ethoxyphenoxy,  
15 4-propoxyphenoxy, 4-butoxyphenoxy, 4-hexyloxyphenoxy,  
4-heptyloxyphenoxy, 2,3-dimethylphenoxy,  
5,6,7,8-tetrahydro-1-naphthoxy, 2,3-dichlorophenoxy,  
2,3-dihydro-2,2-dimethyl-7-benzofuranoxy,  
2,3-dimethoxyphenoxy, 2,6-dimethylphenoxy,  
20 2,6-diisopropylphenoxy, 2,6-di-sec-butylphenoxy, 2-tert-  
butyl-6-methylphenoxy, 2,6-di-tert-butylphenoxy, 2-allyl-  
6-methylphenoxy, 2,6-difluorophenoxy,  
2,3-difluorophenoxy, 2,6-dichlorophenoxy,  
2,6-dibromophenoxy, 2-fluoro-6-methoxyphenoxy,  
25 2,6-dimethoxyphenoxy, 3,5-dimethylphenoxy, 5-isopropyl-  
3-methylphenoxy, 3,5-di-tert-butylphenoxy,  
3,5-bis(trifluoromethyl)phenoxy, 3,5-difluorophenoxy,  
3,5-dichlorophenoxy, 3,5-dimethoxyphenoxy, 3-chloro-5-  
methoxyphenoxy, 3,4-dimethylphenoxy, 5-indanoxy,  
30 5,6,7,8-tetrahydro-2-naphthoxy, 4-chloro-3-methylphenoxy,  
2,4-dimethylphenoxy, 2,5-dimethylphenoxy, 2-isopropyl-  
5-methylphenoxy, 4-isopropyl-3-methylphenoxy,  
5-isopropyl-2-methylphenoxy, 2-tert-butyl-

- 5-methylphenoxy, 2-tert-butyl-4-methylphenoxy,  
2,4-di-tert-butylphenoxy, 2,4-di-tert-amylphenoxy,  
4-fluoro-2-methylphenoxy, 4-fluoro-3-methylphenoxy,  
2-chloro-4-methylphenoxy, 2-chloro-5-methylphenoxy,  
5 4-chloro-2-methylphenoxy, 4-chloro-3-ethylphenoxy,  
2-bromo-4-methylphenoxy, 4-iodo-2-methylphenoxy,  
2-chloro-5-(trifluoromethyl)phenoxy, 2,4-difluorophenoxy,  
2,5-difluorophenoxy, 3,4-difluorophenoxy, 4-chloro-2-  
fluorophenoxy, 3-chloro-4-fluorophenoxy, 4-chloro-3-  
10 fluorophenoxy, 2-bromo-4-fluorophenoxy, 4-bromo-2-  
fluorophenoxy, 2-bromo-5-fluorophenoxy,  
2,4-dichlorophenoxy, 3,4-dichlorophenoxy,  
2,5-dichlorophenoxy, 2-bromo-4-chlorophenoxy, 2-chloro-4-  
fluorophenoxy, 4-bromo-2-chlorophenoxy,  
15 2,4-dibromophenoxy, 2-methoxy-4-methylphenoxy, 4-allyl-2-  
methylphenoxy, trans-2-ethoxy-5-(1-propenyl)phenoxy,  
2-methoxy-4-propenylphenoxy, 3,4-dimethoxyphenoxy,  
3-ethoxy-4-methoxyphenoxy, 4-allyl-2,6-dimethoxyphenoxy,  
3,4-methylenedioxyphenoxy, 2,3,6-trimethylphenoxy,  
20 2,4-dichloro-3-methylphenoxy, 2,3,4-trifluorophenoxy,  
2,3,6-trifluorophenoxy, 2,3,5-trifluorophenoxy,  
2,3,4-trichlorophenoxy, 2,3,6-trichlorophenoxy,  
2,3,5-trimethylphenoxy, 3,4,5-trimethylphenoxy, 4-chloro-  
3,5-dimethylphenoxy, 4-bromo-3,5-dimethylphenoxy,  
25 2,4,6-trimethylphenoxy, 2,6-bis(hydroxymethyl)-4-  
methylphenoxy, 2,6-di-tert-butyl-4-methylphenoxy, 2,6-  
di-tert-butyl-4-methoxyphenoxy, 2,4,5- trifluorophenoxy,  
2-chloro-3,5-difluorophenoxy, 2,4,6-trichlorophenoxy,  
3,4,5-trimethoxyphenoxy, 2,3,5-trichlorophenoxy, 4-bromo-  
30 2,6-dimethylphenoxy, 4-bromo-6-chloro-2-methylphenoxy,  
2,6-dibromo-4-methylphenoxy, 2,6-dichloro-4-  
fluorophenoxy, 2,6-dibromo-4-fluorophenoxy,  
2,4,6-tribromophenoxy, 2,4,6-triiodophenoxy, 2-chloro-

4,5-dimethylphenoxy, 4-chloro-2-isopropyl-5-methylphenoxy, 2-bromo-4,5-difluorophenoxy, 2,4,5-trichlorophenoxy, 2,3,5,6-tetrafluorophenoxy and the like.

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The term "C<sub>7</sub> to C<sub>18</sub> substituted phenylalkoxy" denotes a C<sub>7</sub> to C<sub>18</sub> phenylalkoxy group bonded to the rest of the molecule through the oxygen atom, wherein the phenylalkyl portion is substituted with one or more, and preferably one or two, groups selected from halogen, hydroxy, protected hydroxy, oxo, protected oxo, amino, protected amino, (monosubstituted)amino, protected (monosubstituted)amino, (disubstituted)amino, guanidino, heterocyclic ring, substituted heterocyclic ring, C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>12</sub> alkoxy, C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>12</sub> acyl, C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>12</sub> acyloxy, nitro, carboxy, protected carboxy, carbamoyl, carboxamide, protected carboxamide, N-(C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>12</sub> alkyl)carboxamide, protected N-(C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>12</sub> alkyl)carboxamide, N, N-(C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>12</sub> dialkyl)carboxamide, cyano, N-(C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>12</sub> alkylsulfonyl)amino, thiol, C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>10</sub> alkylthio, C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>10</sub> alkylsulfonyl groups; and/or the phenyl group can be substituted with one or more, and preferably one or two, substituents chosen from halogen, hydroxy, protected hydroxy, cyano, nitro, C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>12</sub> alkyl, C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>12</sub> alkoxy, C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>12</sub> acyl, C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>12</sub> acyloxy, carboxy, protected carboxy, carboxymethyl, protected carboxymethyl, hydroxymethyl, protected hydroxymethyl, amino, protected amino, (monosubstituted)amino, protected (monosubstituted)amino, (disubstituted)amino, carboxamide, protected carboxamide, N-(C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>12</sub> alkyl) carboxamide, protected N-(C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>12</sub> alkyl) carboxamide, N, N-di(C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>12</sub> alkyl)carboxamide, trifluoromethyl, N-((C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>12</sub> alkyl)sulfonyl)amino,

N-(phenylsulfonyl)amino or a phenyl group, substituted or unsubstituted, for a resulting biphenyl group. The substituted alkyl or phenyl groups may be substituted with one or more, and preferably one or two, substituents  
5 which can be the same or different.

Examples of the term "C<sub>7</sub> to C<sub>18</sub>-substituted phenylalkoxy" include groups such as 2-(4-hydroxyphenyl)ethoxy, 4-(4-methoxyphenyl)butoxy, (2R)-3-phenyl-2-amino-propoxy, (2S)-3-phenyl-2-amino-propoxy,  
10 2-indanoxy, 6-phenyl-1-hexanoxy, cinnamyloxy, (+/-)-2-phenyl-1-propoxy, 2,2-dimethyl-3-phenyl-1-propoxy and the like.

The term "phthalimide" means a cyclic imide  
15 which is made from phthalic acid, also called 1,2-benzenedicarboxylic acid. The term "substituted phthalimide" specifies a phthalimide group substituted with one or more, and preferably one or two, moieties chosen from the groups consisting of halogen, hydroxy,  
20 protected hydroxy, cyano, nitro, C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>12</sub> alkyl, C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>12</sub> alkoxy, C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>12</sub> substituted alkoxy, C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>12</sub> acyl, C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>12</sub> acyloxy, carboxy, protected carboxy, carboxymethyl, protected carboxymethyl, hydroxymethyl, protected hydroxymethyl, amino, protected amino,  
25 (monosubstituted)amino, protected (monosubstituted)amino, (disubstituted)amino, carboxamide, protected carboxamide, N-(C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>12</sub> alkyl)carboxamide, protected N-(C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>12</sub> alkyl)carboxamide, N, N-di(C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>12</sub> alkyl)carboxamide, trifluoromethyl, N-((C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>12</sub> alkyl)sulfonyl)amino and  
30 N-(phenylsulfonyl)amino.

Examples of substituted phthalimides include 4,5-dichlorophthalimido, 3-fluorophthalimido,



4-methoxyphthalimido, 3-methylphthalimido,  
4-carboxyphthalimido and the like.

The term "substituted naphthyl" specifies a  
5 naphthyl group substituted with one or more, and  
preferably one or two, moieties either on the same ring  
or on different rings chosen from the groups consisting  
of halogen, hydroxy, protected hydroxy, cyano, nitro,  
C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>6</sub> alkyl, C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>7</sub> alkoxy, C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>7</sub> acyl, C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>7</sub>  
10 acyloxy, carboxy, protected carboxy, carboxymethyl,  
protected carboxymethyl, hydroxymethyl, protected  
hydroxymethyl, amino, protected amino,  
(monosubstituted)amino, protected (monosubstituted)amino,  
(disubstituted)amino, carboxamide, protected carboxamide,  
15 N-(C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>12</sub> alkyl)carboxamide, protected N-(C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>12</sub>  
alkyl)carboxamide, N, N-di(C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>12</sub> alkyl)carboxamide,  
trifluoromethyl, N-((C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>12</sub> alkyl)sulfonyl)amino or  
N-(phenylsulfonyl)amino.

20 Examples of the term "substituted naphthyl"  
includes a mono or di(halo)naphthyl group such as 1, 2,  
3, 4, 5, 6, 7 or 8-chloronaphthyl, 2, 6-dichloronaphthyl,  
2, 5-dichloronaphthyl, 3, 4-dichloronaphthyl, 1, 2, 3, 4,  
5, 6, 7 or 8-bromonaphthyl, 3, 4-dibromonaphthyl,  
25 3-chloro-4-fluoronaphthyl, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7 or  
8-fluoronaphthyl and the like; a mono or  
di(hydroxy)naphthyl group such as 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7 or  
8-hydroxynaphthyl, 2, 4-dihydroxynaphthyl, the protected-  
hydroxy derivatives thereof and the like; a nitronaphthyl  
30 group such as 3- or 4-nitronaphthyl; a cyanonaphthyl  
group, for example, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7 or  
8-cyanonaphthyl; a mono- or di(alkyl)naphthyl group such  
as 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7 or 8-methylnaphthyl, 1, 2,

- 4-dimethylnaphthyl, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7 or  
8-(isopropyl)naphthyl, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7 or  
8-ethylnaphthyl, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7 or  
8-(n-propyl)naphthyl and the like; a mono or  
5 di(alkoxy)naphthyl group, for example, 2,  
6-dimethoxynaphthyl, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7 or  
8-methoxynaphthyl, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7 or  
8-ethoxynaphthyl, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7 or  
8-(isopropoxy)naphthyl, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7 or  
10 8-(t-butoxy)naphthyl, 3-ethoxy-4-methoxynaphthyl and the  
like; 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7 or 8-trifluoromethylnaphthyl; a  
mono- or dicarboxynaphthyl or (protected carboxy)naphthyl  
group such as 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7 or 8-carboxynaphthyl or  
2, 4-di(-protected carboxy)naphthyl; a mono-or  
15 di(hydroxymethyl)naphthyl or (protected  
hydroxymethyl)naphthyl such as 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7 or  
8-(protected hydroxymethyl)naphthyl or 3,  
4-di(hydroxymethyl)naphthyl; a mono- or di(amino)naphthyl  
or (protected amino)naphthyl such as 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7  
20 or 8-(amino)naphthyl or 2, 4-(protected amino)-naphthyl,  
a mono- or di(aminomethyl)naphthyl or (protected  
aminomethyl)naphthyl such as 2, 3, or  
4-(aminomethyl)naphthyl or 2, 4-(protected aminomethyl)-  
naphthyl; or a mono- or di-(N-methylsulfonylamino)  
25 naphthyl such as 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7 or  
8-(N-methylsulfonylamino)naphthyl. Also, the term  
"substituted naphthyl" represents disubstituted naphthyl  
groups wherein the substituents are different, for  
example, 3-methyl-4-hydroxynaphth-1-yl, 3-chloro-4-  
30 hydroxynaphth-2-yl, 2-methoxy-4-bromonaphth-1-yl,  
4-ethyl-2-hydroxynaphth-1-yl, 3-hydroxy-4-nitronaphth-2-  
yl, 2-hydroxy-4-chloronaphth-1-yl, 2-methoxy-7-  
bromonaphth-1-yl, 4-ethyl-5-hydroxynaphth-2-yl,

3-hydroxy-8-nitronaphth-2-yl, 2-hydroxy-5-chloronaphth-1-yl and the like.

The term "naphthylene" means a naphthyl radical  
5 bonded at two positions connecting together two separate additional groups. Similarly, the term "substituted naphthylene" means a naphthylene group that is further substituted by halogen, hydroxy, protected hydroxy, C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>10</sub> alkylthio, C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>10</sub> alkylsulfoxide, C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>10</sub>  
10 alkylsulfonyl, C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>10</sub> substituted alkylthio, C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>10</sub> substituted alkylsulfoxide, C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>10</sub> substituted alkylsulfonyl, C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>12</sub> alkyl, C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>12</sub> alkoxy, C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>12</sub> substituted alkyl, C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>12</sub> alkoxy, oxo, protected oxo, (monosubstituted)amino, (disubstituted)amino,  
15 trifluoromethyl, carboxy, protected carboxy, phenyl, substituted phenyl, phenylthio, phenylsulfoxide, phenylsulfonyl, amino, or protected amino group.

The terms "halo" and "halogen" refer to the  
20 fluoro, chloro, bromo or iodo atoms. There can be one or more halogens, which are the same or different. Preferred halogens are chloro and fluoro.

The term "(monosubstituted)amino" refers to an  
25 amino group with one substituent chosen from the group consisting of phenyl, substituted phenyl, C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>12</sub> alkyl, C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>12</sub> substituted alkyl, C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>12</sub> acyl, C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>12</sub> substituted acyl, C<sub>2</sub> to C<sub>12</sub> alkenyl, C<sub>2</sub> to C<sub>12</sub> substituted alkenyl, C<sub>2</sub> to C<sub>12</sub> alkynyl, C<sub>2</sub> to C<sub>12</sub> substituted alkynyl,  
30 C<sub>7</sub> to C<sub>18</sub> phenylalkyl, C<sub>7</sub> to C<sub>18</sub> substituted phenylalkyl, heterocyclic ring, substituted heterocyclic ring, C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>12</sub> heterocycloalkyl and C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>12</sub> substituted heterocycloalkyl. The (monosubstituted)amino can

additionally have an amino-protecting group as encompassed by the term "protected (monosubstituted)amino."

5           The term "(disubstituted)amino" refers to an amino group with two substituents chosen from the group consisting of phenyl, substituted phenyl, C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>12</sub> alkyl, C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>12</sub> substituted alkyl, C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>12</sub> acyl, C<sub>2</sub> to C<sub>12</sub> alkenyl, C<sub>2</sub> to C<sub>12</sub> alkynyl, C<sub>7</sub> to C<sub>18</sub> phenylalkyl, C<sub>7</sub> to C<sub>18</sub> substituted phenylalkyl, C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>12</sub> heterocycloalkyl and C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>12</sub> substituted heterocycloalkyl. The two substituents  
10 can be the same or different.

          The term "amino-protecting group" as used  
15 herein refers to substituents of the amino group commonly employed to block or protect the amino functionality while reacting other functional groups of the molecule. The term "protected (monosubstituted)amino" means there is an amino-protecting group on the monosubstituted amino  
20 nitrogen atom. In addition, the term "protected carboxamide" means there is an amino-protecting group on the carboxamide nitrogen. Similarly, the term "protected N-(C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>12</sub> alkyl)carboxamide" means there is an amino-protecting group on the carboxamide nitrogen.

25           Examples of such amino-protecting groups include the formyl ("For") group, the trityl group, the phthalimido group, the trichloroacetyl group, the chloroacetyl, bromoacetyl, and iodoacetyl groups, urethane-type blocking groups, such as t-butoxycarbonyl  
30 ("Boc"), 2-(4-biphenyl)propyl-2-oxycarbonyl ("Bpoc"), 2-phenylpropyl-2-oxycarbonyl ("Poc"), 2-(4-xenyl)isopropoxycarbonyl, 1,1-diphenylethyl-1-

oxycarbonyl, 1,1-diphenylpropyl-1-oxycarbonyl, 2-(3,5-dimethoxyphenyl)propyl-2-oxycarbonyl ("Ddz"), 2-(p-toluy1)propyl-2-oxycarbonyl, cyclopentanyloxycarbonyl, 1-methylcyclopentanyloxycarbonyl, cyclohexanyloxy-  
5 carbonyl, 1-methylcyclohexanyloxycarbonyl, 2-methylcyclohexanyloxycarbonyl, 2-(4-toluy1sulfonyl)-ethoxycarbonyl, 2-(methylsulfonyl)ethoxycarbonyl, 2-(triphenylphosphino)-ethoxycarbonyl, 9-fluorenylmethoxycarbonyl ("Fmoc"),  
10 2-(trimethylsilyl)ethoxycarbonyl, allyloxycarbonyl, 1-(trimethylsilylmethyl)prop-1-enyloxycarbonyl, 5-benzisoxalylmethoxycarbonyl, 4-acetoxybenzyl-oxycarbonyl, 2,2,2-trichloroethoxycarbonyl, 2-ethynyl-2-propoxycarbonyl, cyclopropylmethoxycarbonyl,  
15 isobornyloxycarbonyl, 1-piperidyloxycarbonyl, benzyloxycarbonyl ("Cbz"), 4-phenylbenzyloxycarbonyl, 2-methylbenzyloxy-carbonyl, -2,4,5,-tetramethylbenzyloxycarbonyl ("Tmz"), 4-methoxybenzyloxycarbonyl, 4-fluorobenzyloxycarbonyl,  
20 4-chlorobenzyloxycarbonyl, 3-chlorobenzyloxycarbonyl, 2-chlorobenzyloxycarbonyl, 2,4-dichlorobenzyl-oxycarbonyl, 4-bromobenzyloxycarbonyl, 3-bromobenzyloxycarbonyl, 4-nitrobenzyloxy-carbonyl, 4-cyanobenzyloxycarbonyl, 4-(decyloxy)benzyloxycarbonyl  
25 and the like; the benzoylmethylsulfonyl group, dithiasuccinoyl ("Dts"), the 2-(nitro)phenylsulfonyl group ("Nps"), the diphenyl-phosphine oxide group and like amino-protecting groups. The species of amino-protecting group employed is not critical so long as the  
30 derivatized amino group is stable to the conditions of the subsequent reaction(s) and can be removed at the appropriate point without disrupting the remainder of the compounds. Preferred amino-protecting groups are Boc,

Cbz and Fmoc. Further examples of amino-protecting groups embraced by the above term are well known in organic synthesis and the peptide art and are described by, for example, T.W. Greene and P.G.M. Wuts, "Protective  
5 Groups in Organic Synthesis," 2nd ed., John Wiley and Sons, New York, NY, 1991, Chapter 7, M. Bodanzsky, "Principles of Peptide Synthesis," 1st and 2nd revised ed., Springer-Verlag, New York, NY, 1984 and 1993, and  
10 Stewart and Young, "Solid Phase Peptide Synthesis," 2nd ed., Pierce Chemical Co., Rockford, IL, 1984, each of which is incorporated herein by reference. The related term "protected amino" defines an amino group substituted with an amino-protecting group discussed above.

15           The term "protected guanidino" as used herein refers to an "amino-protecting group" on one or two of the guanidino nitrogen atoms. Examples of "protected guanidino" groups are described by T.W. Greene and P.G.M. Wuts; M. Bodanzsky; and Stewart and Young, *supra*.

20           The term "epimino" means -NH-. The term "substituted epimino" means -N(R)-, where R is a substitution group listed above under the definition of "(monosubstituted)amino."

25           The term "C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>5</sub> alkylene epimino" refers to a one to five carbon alkylene chain with an epimino at any point along the chain. The term "C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>5</sub> substituted alkylene epimino" refers to a C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>5</sub> alkylene epimino  
30 group that is substituted a) at the epimino position (in the same way as "substituted epimino," described above); and/or b) at one or more of the alkylene positions (in

the same way as "substituted alkylene," as described above).

The term "thio" refers to -SH or, if between  
5 two other groups, -S-. The term "C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>10</sub> alkylene thio" refers to a one to ten carbon alkylene chain with a thio at any point along the chain. The term "C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>10</sub> substituted alkylene thio" refers to a C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>10</sub> alkylene thio group that is substituted at one or more of the  
10 alkylene positions (in the same way as "substituted alkylene," as described above).

The term "sulfonyl" refers to -S(O)<sub>2</sub>-. The term "C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>10</sub> alkylene sulfonyl" refers to a one to ten  
15 carbon alkylene chain with a sulfonyl at any point along the chain. The term "C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>10</sub> substituted alkylene sulfonyl" refers to a C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>10</sub> alkylene sulfonyl group that is substituted at one or more of the alkylene positions (in the same way as "substituted alkylene," as  
20 described above).

The term "sulfinyl" refers to -S(O)-. The term "C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>10</sub> alkylene sulfinyl" refers to a one to ten carbon alkylene chain with a sulfinyl at any point along  
25 the chain. The term "C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>10</sub> substituted alkylene sulfinyl" refers to a C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>10</sub> alkylene sulfinyl group that is substituted at one or more of the alkylene positions (in the same way as "substituted alkylene," as described above).

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The term "oxy" refers to -O-. The terms "C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>10</sub> alkylene oxy," "C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>10</sub> alkylene dioxy" and "C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>10</sub> alkylene trioxy" refer to a one to ten carbon alkylene

chain with, respectively, one, two or three -O- at any point along the chain, provided that no two oxygen atoms are consecutive, and provided that any two oxygen atoms are separated by at least two carbons. The terms "C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>10</sub> substituted alkylene oxy," "C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>10</sub> substituted alkylene dioxy" and "C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>10</sub> substituted alkylene trioxy" refer, respectfully to "C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>10</sub> alkylene oxy," "C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>10</sub> alkylene dioxy" and "C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>10</sub> alkylene trioxy" that are substituted at one or more of the alkylene positions (in the same way as "substituted alkylene," as described above).

The term "thiocarbonyl" refers to -C(S)H or, if between two other groups, -C(S)-. The term "thioester" refers to -C(O)SH or, if between two other groups, -C(O)S-.

The term "carboxy-protecting group" as used herein refers to one of the ester derivatives of the carboxylic acid group commonly employed to block or protect the carboxylic acid group while reactions are carried out on other functional groups on the compound. Examples of such carboxylic acid protecting groups include t-butyl, 4-nitrobenzyl, 4-methoxybenzyl, 3,4-dimethoxybenzyl, 2,4-dimethoxybenzyl, 2,4,6-trimethoxybenzyl, 2,4,6-trimethylbenzyl, pentamethylbenzyl, 3,4-methylenedioxybenzyl, benzhydryl, 4,4'-dimethoxytrityl, 4,4',4"-trimethoxytrityl, 2-phenylpropyl, trimethylsilyl, t-butyldimethylsilyl, phenacyl, 2,2,2-trichloroethyl, (trimethylsilyl)ethyl, (di(n-butyl)methylsilyl)ethyl, p-toluenesulfonylethyl, 4-nitrobenzylsulfonylethyl, allyl, cinnamyl, 1-(trimethylsilylmethyl)propenyl and like moieties. The



species of carboxy-protecting group employed is not critical so long as the derivatized carboxylic acid is stable to the conditions of subsequent reaction(s) and can be removed at the appropriate point without  
5 disrupting the remainder of the molecule. Further examples of these groups are found in E. Haslam, "Protective Groups in Organic Chemistry," J.G.W. McOmie, Ed., Plenum Press, New York, NY, 1973, Chapter 5, and T.W. Greene and P.G.M. Wuts, "Protective Groups in  
10 Organic Synthesis," 2nd ed., John Wiley and Sons, New York, NY, 1991, Chapter 5, each of which is incorporated herein by reference. A related term is "protected carboxy," which refers to a carboxy group substituted with one of the above carboxy-protecting groups.

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The term "hydroxy-protecting group" refers to readily cleavable groups bonded to hydroxyl groups, such as the tetrahydropyranyl, 2-methoxypropyl, 1-ethoxyethyl, methoxymethyl, 2-methoxyethoxymethyl, methylthiomethyl,  
20 t-butyl, t-amyl, trityl, 4-methoxytrityl, 4,4'-dimethoxytrityl, 4,4',4"-trimethoxytrityl, benzyl, allyl, trimethylsilyl, (t-butyl)dimethylsilyl, 2,2,2-trichloroethoxycarbonyl groups and the like. The species of hydroxy-protecting groups is not critical so  
25 long as the derivatized hydroxyl group is stable to the conditions of subsequent reaction(s) and can be removed at the appropriate point without disrupting the remainder of the molecule. Further examples of hydroxy-protecting groups are described by C.B. Reese and E. Haslam,  
30 "Protective Groups in Organic Chemistry," J.G.W. McOmie, Ed., Plenum Press, New York, NY, 1973, Chapters 3 and 4, respectively, and T.W. Greene and P.G.M. Wuts, "Protective Groups in Organic Synthesis," 2nd ed., John

Wiley and Sons, New York, NY, 1991, Chapters 2 and 3. Related terms are "protected hydroxy," and "protected hydroxymethyl" which refer to a hydroxy or hydroxymethyl substituted with one of the above hydroxy-protecting  
5 groups.

-The term "C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>10</sub> alkylthio" refers to sulfide groups such as methylthio, ethylthio, n-propylthio, isopropylthio, n-butylthio, t-butylthio and like groups.  
10 The term "C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>10</sub> alkylsulfoxide" indicates sulfoxide groups such as methylsulfoxide, ethylsulfoxide, n-propylsulfoxide, isopropylsulfoxide, n-butylsulfoxide, sec-butylsulfoxide and the like. The term "C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>10</sub> alkylsulfonyl" encompasses groups such as methylsulfonyl,  
15 ethylsulfonyl, n-propylsulfonyl, isopropylsulfonyl, n-butylsulfonyl, t-butylsulfonyl and the like. it should also be understood that the above thio, sulfoxide or sulfonyl groups can be at any point on the alkyl chain (e.g., 2-methylmercaptoethyl).

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The terms "C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>10</sub> substituted alkylthio," "C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>10</sub> substituted alkylsulfoxide," and "C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>10</sub> substituted alkylsulfonyl," denote the C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>10</sub> alkyl portion of these groups may be substituted as described  
25 above in relation to "substituted alkyl."

The terms "phenylthio," "phenylsulfoxide," and "phenylsulfonyl" specify a thiol, a sulfoxide, or sulfone, respectively, containing a phenyl group. The  
30 terms "substituted phenylthio," "substituted phenylsulfoxide," and "substituted phenylsulfonyl" means that the phenyl of these groups can be substituted as described above in relation to "substituted phenyl."

The term "C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>12</sub> alkylaminocarbonyl" means a C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>12</sub> alkyl attached to a nitrogen of the aminocarbonyl group. Examples of C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>12</sub> alkylaminocarbonyl include methylaminocarbonyl, ethylaminocarbonyl, propylaminocarbonyl and butylaminocarbonyl. The term "C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>12</sub> substituted alkylaminocarbonyl" denotes a substituted alkyl bonded to a nitrogen of the aminocarbonyl group, which alkyl may be substituted as described above in relation to C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>12</sub> substituted alkyl. Examples of C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>12</sub> substituted alkylaminocarbonyl include, for example, methoxymethylaminocarbonyl, 2-chloroethylaminocarbonyl, 2-oxopropylaminocarbonyl and 4-phenylbutylaminocarbonyl.

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The term "C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>12</sub> alkoxy carbonyl" means a "C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>12</sub> alkoxy" group attached to a carbonyl group. The term "C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>12</sub> substituted alkoxy carbonyl" denotes a substituted alkoxy bonded to the carbonyl group, which alkoxy may be substituted as described above in relation to "C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>12</sub> substituted alkyl."

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The term "phenylaminocarbonyl" means a phenyl attached to a nitrogen of the aminocarbonyl group. The term "substituted phenylaminocarbonyl" denotes a substituted phenyl bonded to a nitrogen of the aminocarbonyl group, which phenyl may be substituted as described above in relation to substituted phenyl. Examples of substituted phenylaminocarbonyl include 2-chlorophenylaminocarbonyl, 3-chlorophenylaminocarbonyl, 2-nitrophenylaminocarbonyl, 4-biphenylaminocarbonyl, and 4-methoxyphenylaminocarbonyl.

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The term "C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>12</sub> alkylaminothiocarbonyl" means a C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>12</sub> alkyl attached to an aminothiocarbonyl group, wherein the alkyl has the same meaning as defined above. Examples of C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>12</sub> alkylaminothiocarbonyl include methylaminothiocarbonyl, ethylaminothiocarbonyl, propylaminothiocarbonyl and butylaminothiocarbonyl.

The term "C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>12</sub> substituted alkylaminothiocarbonyl" denotes a substituted alkyl bonded to an aminothiocarbonyl group, wherein the alkyl may be substituted as described above in relation to C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>12</sub> substituted alkyl. Examples of C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>12</sub> substituted alkylaminothiocarbonyl include, for example, methoxymethylaminothiocarbonyl, 2-chloroethylaminothiocarbonyl, 2-oxopropylaminothiocarbonyl and 4-phenylbutylaminothiocarbonyl.

The term "phenylaminothiocarbonyl" means a phenyl attached to an aminothiocarbonyl group, wherein the phenyl has the same meaning as defined above.

The term "substituted phenylaminothiocarbonyl" denotes a substituted phenyl bonded to an aminothiocarbonyl group, wherein phenyl may be substituted as described above in relation to substituted phenyl. Examples of substituted phenylaminothiocarbonyls include 2-chlorophenylaminothiocarbonyl, 3-chlorophenylaminothiocarbonyl, 2-nitorphenylaminothiocarbonyl, 4-biphenylaminothiocarbonyl and 4-methoxyphenylaminothiocarbonyl.

The term "phenylene" means a phenyl group where the phenyl radical is bonded at two positions connecting together two separate additional groups. Examples of "phenylene" include 1,2-phenylene, 1,3-phenylene, and  
5 1,4-phenylene.

-The term "substituted phenylene" means a phenyl group where the phenyl radical is bonded at two positions connecting together two separate additional groups,  
10 wherein the phenyl is substituted as described above in relation to "substituted phenyl."

The term "substituted C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>12</sub> alkylene" means a C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>12</sub> alkyl group where the alkyl radical is bonded  
15 at two positions connecting together two separate additional groups and further bearing an additional substituent. Examples of "substituted C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>12</sub> alkylene" includes aminomethylene, 1-(amino)-1,2-ethyl, 2-(amino)-1,2-ethyl, 1-(acetamido)-1,2-ethyl, 2-(acetamido)-1,2-ethyl, 2-hydroxy-1,1-ethyl, 1-(amino)-1,3-propyl.  
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The terms "cyclic C<sub>2</sub> to C<sub>7</sub> alkylene," "substituted cyclic C<sub>2</sub> to C<sub>7</sub> alkylene," "cyclic C<sub>2</sub> to C<sub>7</sub> heteroalkylene," and "substituted cyclic C<sub>2</sub> to C<sub>7</sub> heteroalkylene," defines such a cyclic group bonded  
25 ("fused") to the phenyl radical resulting in a bicyclic ring system. The cyclic group may be saturated or contain one or two double bonds. Furthermore, the cyclic group may have one or two methylene or methine groups replaced by one or two oxygen, nitrogen or sulfur atoms  
30 which are the cyclic C<sub>2</sub> to C<sub>7</sub> heteroalkylene.

The cyclic alkylene or heteroalkylene group may be substituted once or twice by the same or different substituents which, if appropriate, can be connected to another part of the compound (e.g., alkylene) selected from the group consisting of the following moieties:

5 hydroxy, protected hydroxy, carboxy, protected carboxy, oxo, protected oxo, C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>4</sub> acyloxy, formyl, C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>12</sub> acyl, C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>12</sub> alkyl, C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>7</sub> alkoxy, C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>10</sub> alkylthio, C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>10</sub> alkylsulfoxide, C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>10</sub> alkylsulfonyl, halo,

10 amino, protected amino, (monosubstituted)amino, protected (monosubstituted)amino, (disubstituted)amino, hydroxymethyl or a protected hydroxymethyl.

The cyclic alkylene or heteroalkylene group fused onto the benzene radical can contain two to ten ring members, but it preferably contains three to six members. Examples of such saturated cyclic groups are when the resultant bicyclic ring system is 2,3-dihydro-indanyl and a tetralin ring. When the cyclic groups are

20 unsaturated, examples occur when the resultant bicyclic ring system is a naphthyl ring or indolyl. Examples of fused cyclic groups which each contain one nitrogen atom and one or more double bond, preferably one or two double bonds, are when the benzene radical is fused to a

25 pyridino, pyrano, pyrrolo, pyridinyl, dihydropyrrolo, or dihydropyridinyl ring. Examples of fused cyclic groups which each contain one oxygen atom and one or two double bonds are when the benzene radical ring is fused to a furo, pyrano, dihydrofurano, or dihydropyrano ring.

30 Examples of fused cyclic groups which each have one sulfur atom and contain one or two double bonds are when the benzene radical is fused to a thieno, thiopyrano, dihydrothieno or dihydrothiopyrano ring. Examples of

cyclic groups which contain two heteroatoms selected from sulfur and nitrogen and one or two double bonds are when the benzene radical ring is fused to a thiazolo, isothiazolo, dihydrothiazolo or dihydroisothiazolo ring.

5 Examples of cyclic groups which contain two heteroatoms selected from oxygen and nitrogen and one or two double bonds are when the benzene ring is fused to an oxazolo, isoxazolo, dihydrooxazolo or dihydroisoxazolo ring.

Examples of cyclic groups which contain two nitrogen

10 heteroatoms and one or two double bonds occur when the benzene ring is fused to a pyrazolo, imidazolo, dihydropyrazolo or dihydroimidazolo ring or pyrazinyl.

The term "carbamoyl" means an  $\text{-NC(O)-}$  group

15 where the radical is bonded at two positions connecting two separate additional groups.

One or more of the compounds of the invention, even within a given library, may be present as a salt.

20 The term "salt" encompasses those salts that form with the carboxylate anions and amine nitrogens and include salts formed with the organic and inorganic anions and cations discussed below. Furthermore, the term includes salts that form by standard acid-base reactions with

25 basic groups (such as amino groups) and organic or inorganic acids. Such acids include hydrochloric, hydrofluoric, trifluoroacetic, sulfuric, phosphoric, acetic, succinic, citric, lactic, maleic, fumaric, palmitic, cholic, pamoic, mucic, D-glutamic, D-camphoric,

30 glutaric, phthalic, tartaric, lauric, stearic, salicyclic, methanesulfonic, benzenesulfonic, sorbic, picric, benzoic, cinnamic, and like acids.

The term "organic or inorganic cation" refers to counter-ions for the carboxylate anion of a carboxylate salt. The counter-ions are chosen from the alkali and alkaline earth metals, (such as lithium, sodium, potassium, barium, aluminum and calcium); ammonium and mono-, di- and tri-alkyl amines such as trimethylamine, cyclohexylamine; and the organic cations, such as dibenzylammonium, benzylammonium, 2-hydroxyethylammonium, bis(2-hydroxyethyl)ammonium, phenylethylbenzylammonium, dibenzylethylenediammonium, and like cations. See, for example, "Pharmaceutical Salts," Berge et al., J. Pharm. Sci., 66:1-19 (1977), which is incorporated herein by reference. Other cations encompassed by the above term include the protonated form of procaine, quinine and N-methylglucosamine, and the protonated forms of basic amino acids such as glycine, ornithine, histidine, phenylglycine, lysine and arginine. Furthermore, any zwitterionic form of the instant compounds formed by a carboxylic acid and an amino group is referred to by this term. For example, a cation for a carboxylate anion will exist when a position is substituted with a (quaternary ammonium)methyl group. A preferred cation for the carboxylate anion is the sodium cation.

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The compounds of the invention can also exist as solvates and hydrates. Thus, these compounds may crystallize with, for example, waters of hydration, or one, a number of, or any fraction thereof of molecules of the mother liquor solvent. The solvates and hydrates of such compounds are included within the scope of this invention.

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One or more compounds of the invention, even when in a library, can be in the biologically active ester form, such as the non-toxic, metabolically-labile ester-form. Such ester forms induce increased blood

5 levels and prolong the efficacy of the corresponding non-esterified forms of the compounds. Ester groups which can be used include the lower alkoxymethyl groups, for example, methoxymethyl, ethoxymethyl, isopropoxymethyl and the like; the  $-(C_1 \text{ to } C_{12})$  alkoxyethyl groups, for

10 example methoxyethyl, ethoxyethyl, propoxyethyl, isopropoxyethyl and the like; the 2-oxo-1,3-dioxolen-4-ylmethyl groups, such as 5-methyl-2-oxo-1,3-dioxolen-4-ylmethyl, 5-phenyl-2-oxo-1,3-dioxolen-4-ylmethyl and the like; the  $C_1$  to  $C_{10}$  alkylthiomethyl groups, for example

15 methylthiomethyl, ethylthiomethyl, iso-propylthiomethyl and the like; the acyloxymethyl groups, for example pivaloyloxymethyl, pivaloyloxyethyl, -acetoxymethyl and the like; the ethoxycarbonyl-1-methyl group; the -acetoxylethyl; the 1- $(C_1 \text{ to } C_{12} \text{ alkyloxycarbonyloxy})$ ethyl

20 groups such as the 1-(ethoxycarbonyloxy)ethyl group; and the 1- $(C_1 \text{ to } C_{12} \text{ alkylaminocarbonyloxy})$ ethyl groups such as the 1-(methylaminocarbonyloxy)ethyl group.

The term "amino acid" includes any one of the

25 twenty naturally-occurring amino acids or the D-form of any one of the naturally-occurring amino acids. In addition, the term "amino acid" also includes other non-naturally occurring amino acids besides the D-amino acids, which are functional equivalents of the naturally-

30 occurring amino acids. Such non-naturally-occurring amino acids include, for example, norleucine ("Nle"), norvaline ("Nva"), L- or D- naphthalanine, ornithine ("Orn"), homoarginine (homoArg) and others well known in

the peptide art, such as those described in M. Bodanzsky, "Principles of Peptide Synthesis," 1st and 2nd revised ed., Springer-Verlag, New York, NY, 1984 and 1993, and Stewart and Young, "Solid Phase Peptide Synthesis," 2nd ed., Pierce Chemical Co., Rockford, IL, 1984, both of which are incorporated herein by reference. Amino acids and amino-acid analogs can be purchased commercially (Sigma Chemical Co.; Advanced Chemtech) or synthesized using methods known in the art.

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It should be understood that any position of the claimed invention has up to three serial "substitutions." For example, a "substituted alkyl" that is substituted with a "substituted phenyl" that is, in turn, substituted with a "substituted alkyl" can, in turn, be substituted by one more group and no longer further substituted. However, it should also be understood that the invention contemplates, if appropriate, more than three parallel substitutions. For example, if appropriate, more than three hydrogens on an alkyl moiety may be substituted with any one or more of a variety of groups, including halo and hydroxy.

The term "functionalized resin" means any resin, crosslinked or otherwise, where functional groups have been introduced into the resin, as is common in the art. Such resins include, for example, those functionalized with amino, alkylhalo, formyl or hydroxy groups. Such resins which can serve as solid supports are well known in the art and include, for example, 4-methylbenzhydrylamine-copoly(styrene-1% divinylbenzene) (MBHA), 4-hydroxymethylphenoxymethyl-copoly(styrene-1% divinylbenzene), 4-oxymethyl-phenyl-acetamido-

copoly(styrene-1% divinylbenzene) (Wang), 4-(oxymethyl)-phenylacetamido methyl (Pam), and Tentagel™, from Rapp Polymere GmbH, trialkoxy-diphenyl-methyl ester-copoly(styrene-1% divinylbenzene) (RINK) all of which are  
5 commercially available. Other functionalized resins are known in the art and can be used without departure from the scope of the current invention. Such resins may include those described in Jung, G., Combinatorial Peptide and Nonpeptide Libraries, A Handbook (VCH Verlag,  
10 1996) or Bunin, B. A., The Combinatorial Index (Academic Press, 1998) and are incorporated herein by reference.

As used herein, a "combinatorial library" is an intentionally created collection of differing molecules  
15 which can be prepared by the means provided below or otherwise and screened for biological activity in a variety of formats (e.g., libraries of soluble molecules, libraries of compounds attached to resin beads, silica chips or other solid supports). A "combinatorial  
20 library," as defined above, involves successive rounds of chemical syntheses based on a common starting structure. The combinatorial libraries can be screened in any variety of assays, such as those detailed below as well as others useful for assessing their biological activity.  
25 The combinatorial libraries will generally have at least one active compound and are generally prepared such that the compounds are in equimolar quantities.

Compounds disclosed in previous work that are  
30 not disclosed as part of a collection of compounds or not disclosed as intended for use as part of such a collection are not part of a "combinatorial library" of the invention. In addition, compounds that are in an

unintentional or undesired mixture are not part of a "combinatorial library" of the invention.

A combinatorial library of the invention can  
5 contain two or more of the above-described compounds.  
The invention further provides a combinatorial library  
containing three, four or five or more of the  
above-described compounds. In another embodiment of the  
invention, a combinatorial library can contain ten or  
10 more of the above-described compounds. In yet another  
embodiment of the invention, a combinatorial library can  
contain fifty or more of the above-described compounds.  
If desired, a combinatorial library of the invention can  
contain 100,000 or more, or even 1,000,000 or more, of  
15 the above-described compounds.

By way of example, the preparation of the  
combinatorial libraries can use the "split resin  
approach." The split resin approach is described by, for  
20 example, U.S. Patent 5,010,175 to Rutter, WO PCT 91/19735  
to Simon, and Gallop et al., *J. Med. Chem.*, 37:1233-1251  
(1994), all of which are incorporated herein by  
reference.

25 The amino acids are indicated herein by either  
their full name or by the commonly known three letter  
code. Further, in the naming of amino acids, "D-"  
designates an amino acid having the "D" configuration, as  
opposed to the naturally occurring L-amino acids. Where  
30 no specific configuration is indicated, one skilled in  
the art would understand the amino acid to be an L-amino  
acid. The amino acids can, however, also be in racemic  
mixtures of the D- and L-configuration or the D-amino

acid can readily be substituted for that in the L-configuration.

For preparing pharmaceutical compositions  
5 containing compounds of the invention, inert,  
pharmaceutically acceptable carriers are used. The  
pharmaceutical carrier can be either solid or liquid.  
Solid form preparations include, for example, powders,  
tablets, dispersible granules, capsules, cachets, and  
10 suppositories.

A solid carrier can be one or more substances  
which can also act as diluents, flavoring agents,  
solubilizers, lubricants, suspending agents, binders, or  
15 tablet disintegrating agents; it can also be an  
encapsulating material.

In powders, the carrier is generally a finely  
divided solid which is in a mixture with the finely  
20 divided active component. In tablets, the active  
compound is mixed with the carrier having the necessary  
binding properties in suitable proportions and compacted  
in the shape and size desired.

25 For preparing pharmaceutical composition in the  
form of suppositories, a low-melting wax such as a  
mixture of fatty acid glycerides and cocoa butter is  
first melted and the active ingredient is dispersed  
therein by, for example, stirring. The molten  
30 homogeneous mixture is then poured into convenient-sized  
molds and allowed to cool and solidify.

Powders and tablets preferably contain between about 5% to about 70% by weight of the active ingredient. Suitable carriers include, for example, magnesium carbonate, magnesium stearate, talc, lactose, sugar, 5 pectin, dextrin, starch, tragacanth, methyl cellulose, sodium carboxymethyl cellulose, a low-melting wax, cocoa butter and the like.

The pharmaceutical compositions can include the 10 formulation of the active compound with encapsulating material as a carrier providing a capsule in which the active component (with or without other carriers) is surrounded by a carrier, which is thus in association with it. In a similar manner, cachets are also included. 15 Tablets, powders, cachets, and capsules can be used as solid dosage forms suitable for oral administration.

Liquid pharmaceutical compositions include, for example, solutions suitable for oral or parenteral 20 administration, or suspensions, and emulsions suitable for oral administration. Sterile water solutions of the active component or sterile solutions of the active component in solvents comprising water, ethanol, or propylene glycol are examples of liquid compositions 25 suitable for parenteral administration.

Sterile solutions can be prepared by dissolving the active component in the desired solvent system, and then passing the resulting solution through a membrane 30 filter to sterilize it or, alternatively, by dissolving the sterile compound in a previously sterilized solvent under sterile conditions.

Aqueous solutions for oral administration can be prepared by dissolving the active compound in water and adding suitable flavorants, coloring agents, stabilizers, and thickening agents as desired. Aqueous suspensions for oral use can be made by dispersing the finely divided active component in water together with a viscous material such as natural or synthetic gums, resins, methyl cellulose, sodium carboxymethyl cellulose, and other suspending agents known to the pharmaceutical formulation art.

Preferably, the pharmaceutical composition is in unit dosage form. In such form, the composition is divided into unit doses containing appropriate quantities of the active 2-aminobenzoxazole compound. The unit dosage form can be a packaged preparation, the package containing discrete quantities of the preparation, for example, packeted tablets, capsules, and powders in vials or ampules. The unit dosage form can also be a capsule, cachet, or tablet itself, or it can be the appropriate number of any of these packaged forms.

As pharmaceutical compositions for treating infections, pain, or any other indication the compounds of the present invention are generally in a pharmaceutical composition so as to be administered to a subject at dosage levels of from 0.7 to 7000 mg per day, and preferably 1 to 500 mg per day, for a normal human adult of approximately 70 kg of body weight, this translates into a dosage of from 0.01 to 100 mg/kg of body weight per day. The specific dosages employed, however, can be varied depending upon the requirements of the patient, the severity of the condition being treated,

and the activity of the compound being employed. The determination of optimum dosages for a particular situation is within the skill of the art.

5           2-aminobenzoxazole derivative compounds and libraries, such as those of the present invention, can be made utilizing individual polyethylene bags, referred to as "tea bags" (see Houghten et al., *Proc. Natl. Acad. Sci. USA* 82: 5131 (1985); *Biochemistry*, 32:11035 (1993);  
10   and U.S. Patent No. 4,631,211, all of which are incorporated herein by reference).

          The nonsupport-bound combinatorial libraries can be screened as single compounds. In addition, the  
15   nonsupport-bound combinatorial libraries can be screened as mixtures in solution in assays such as radio-receptor inhibition assays, anti-bacterial assays, anti-fungal assays, calmodulin-dependent phosphodiesterase (CaMPDE) assays and phosphodiesterase (PDE) assays, as described  
20   in detail below. Deconvolution of highly active mixtures can then be carried out by iterative or positional scanning methods. These techniques, the iterative approach or the positional scanning approach, can be utilized for finding other active compounds within the  
25   combinatorial libraries of the present invention using any one of the below-described assays or others well known in the art.

          The iterative approach is well-known and is set  
30   forth in general in Houghten et al., *Nature*, 354, 84-86 (1991) and Dooley et al., *Science*, 266, 2019-2022 (1994), both of which are incorporated herein by reference. In the iterative approach, for example, sub-libraries of a



molecule having three variable groups are made wherein the first variable is defined. Each of the compounds with the defined variable group is reacted with all of the other possibilities at the other two variable groups.

5 These sub-libraries are each tested to define the identity of the second variable in the sub-library having the highest activity in the screen of choice. A new sub-library with the first two variable positions defined is reacted again with all the other possibilities at the

10 remaining undefined variable position. As before, the identity of the third variable position in the sub-library having the highest activity is determined. If more variables exist, this process is repeated for all variables, yielding the compound with each variable

15 contributing to the highest desired activity in the screening process. Promising compounds from this process can then be synthesized on larger scale in traditional single-compound synthetic methods for further biological investigation.

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The positional-scanning approach has been described for various combinatorial libraries as described, for example, in R. Houghten *et al.* PCT/US91/08694 and U.S. Patent 5,556,762, both of which

25 are incorporated herein by reference. In the positional scanning approach, sublibraries are made defining only one variable with each set of sublibraries and all possible sublibraries with each single variable defined (and all other possibilities at all of the other variable

30 positions), made and tested. From the instant description one skilled in the art could synthesize combinatorial libraries wherein two fixed positions are defined at a time. From the testing of each single-

variable defined combinatorial library, the optimum substituent at that position can be determined, pointing to the optimum or at least a series of compounds having a maximum of the desired biological activity. Thus, the  
5 number of sublibraries for compounds with a single position defined will be the number of different substituents desired at that position, and the number of all the compounds in each sublibrary will be the product of the number of substituents at each of the other  
10 variables.

Individual compounds and pharmaceutical compositions containing the compounds, as well as methods of using the same, are included within the scope of the  
15 present invention. The compounds of the present invention can be used for a variety of purposes and indications and as medicaments for any such purposes and indications. For example, 2-aminobenzoxazole derivative compounds of the present invention can be used as  
20 pesticides, acaricides, receptor agonists or antagonists and antimicrobial agents, including antibacterial or antiviral agents. The libraries can be screened in any variety of melanocortin receptor and related activity assays, such as those detailed below as well as others  
25 known in the art. Additionally, the subject compounds can be useful as analgesics. Assays which can be used to test the biological activity of the instant compounds include antimicrobial assays, a competitive enzyme-linked immunoabsorbent assay and radio-receptor assays, as  
30 described below.

The melanocortin (MC) receptors are a group of cell surface proteins that mediate a variety of

physiological effects, including regulation of adrenal gland function such as production of the glucocorticoids cortisol and aldosterone; control of melanocyte growth and pigment production; thermoregulation; immunomodulation; and analgesia. Five distinct MC receptors have been cloned and are expressed in a variety of tissues, including melanocytes, adrenal cortex, brain, gut, placenta, skeletal muscle, lung, spleen, thymus, bone marrow, pituitary, gonads and adipose tissue (Tatro, Neuroimmunomodulation 3:259-284 (1996)). Three MC receptors, MCR-1, MCR-3 and MCR-4, are expressed in brain tissue (Xia et al., Neuroreport 6:2193-2196 (1995)).

A variety of ligands termed melanocortins function as agonists that stimulate the activity of MC receptors. The melanocortins include melanocyte-stimulating hormones (MSH) such as  $\alpha$ -MSH,  $\beta$ -MSH and  $\gamma$ -MSH, as well as adrenocorticotrophic hormone (ACTH). Individual ligands can bind to multiple MC receptors with differing relative affinities. The variety of ligands and MC receptors with differential tissue-specific expression likely provides the molecular basis for the diverse physiological effects of melanocortins and MC receptors. For example,  $\alpha$ -MSH antagonizes the actions of immunological substances such as cytokines and acts to modulate fever, inflammation and immune responses (Catania and Lipton, Annals N. Y. Acad. Sci. 680:412-423 (1993)).

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The role of certain specific MC receptors in some of the physiological effects described above for MC receptors has been elucidated. For example, MCR-1 is

involved in pain and inflammation. MCR-1 mRNA is expressed in neutrophils (Catania et al., Peptides 17:675-679 (1996)). The anti-inflammatory agent  $\alpha$ -MSH was found to inhibit migration of neutrophils. Thus, the  
5 presence of MCR-1 in neutrophils correlates with the anti-inflammatory activity of  $\alpha$ -MSH.

An interesting link of MC receptors to regulation of food intake and obesity has recently been  
10 described. The brain MC receptor MCR-4 has been shown to function in the regulation of body weight and food intake. Mice in which MCR-4 has been knocked out exhibit weight gain (Huszar et al., Cell 88:131-141 (1997)). In addition, injection into brain of synthetic peptides that  
15 mimic melanocortins and bind to MCR-4 caused suppressed feeding in normal and mutant obese mice (Fan et al., Nature 385:165-168 (1997)). These results indicate that the brain MC receptor MCR-4 functions in regulating food intake and body weight.

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Due to the varied physiological activities of MC receptors, high affinity ligands of MC receptors could be used to exploit the varied physiological responses of MC receptors by functioning as potential therapeutic  
25 agents or as lead compounds for the development of therapeutic agents. Furthermore, due to the effect of MC receptors on the activity of various cytokines, high affinity MC receptor ligands could also be used to regulate cytokine activity.

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A variety of assays can be used to identify or characterize MC receptor ligands of the invention. For example, the ability of a 2-aminobenzoxazole derivative

compound to compete for binding of a known MC receptor ligand can be used to assess the affinity and specificity of a 2-aminobenzoxazole derivative compound for one or more MC receptors. Any MC receptor ligand can be used so long as the ligand can be labeled with a detectable moiety. The detectable moiety can be, for example, a radiolabel, fluorescent label or chromophore, or any detectable functional moiety so long as the MC receptor ligand exhibits specific MC receptor binding. A particularly useful detectable MC receptor ligand for identifying and characterizing other MC receptor ligands is <sup>125</sup>I-HP 467, which has the amino acid sequence Ac-Nle-Gln-His-(p(I)-D-Phe)-Arg-(D-Trp)-Gly-NH<sub>2</sub> and is described in Dooley et al., "Melanocortin Receptor Ligands and Methods of Using Same," U.S. patent application 09/027,108, filed February 20, 1998, which is incorporated herein by reference. HP 467 is a para-iodinated form of HP 228.

Using assay methods such as those described above, binding kinetics and competition with radiolabeled HP 467 can confirm that 2-aminobenzoxazole derivative compounds of the invention bind to one or more MC receptors. Furthermore, 2-aminobenzoxazole derivative compounds of the invention can exhibit a range of affinities and specificity for various MC receptors.

The invention provides MC receptor ligands that can bind to several MC receptors with similar affinity. In addition, the invention also provides MC receptor ligands that can be selective for one or more MC receptors. As used herein, the term "selective" means that the affinity of a MC receptor ligand differs between

one MC receptor and another by about 10-fold, generally about 20- to 50-fold, and particularly about 100-fold. In some cases, a MC receptor ligand having broad specificity is desired. In other cases, it is desirable to use MC receptor ligands having selectivity for a particular MC receptor. For example, MCR-1 ligands are particularly useful for treating pain and inflammation, whereas MCR-4 ligands are useful for treating obesity. The binding characteristics and specificity of a given MC receptor ligand can be selected based on the particular disease or physiological effect that is desired to be altered.

Another assay useful for identifying or characterizing MC receptor ligands measures signaling of MC receptors. MC receptors are G protein-coupled receptors that couple to adenylate cyclase and produce cAMP. Therefore, measuring cAMP production in a cell expressing a MC receptor and treated with a MC receptor ligand can be used to assess the function of the MC receptor ligand in activating a MC receptor.

Ligands for MC-3 that can alter the activity of an MC-3 receptor can be useful for treating sexual dysfunction and other conditions or conditions associated with MC-3 such as inflammation. Other MC-3-associated conditions that can be treated with the MC-3 receptor ligands include disuse deconditioning; organ damage such as organ transplantation or ischemic injury; adverse reactions associated with cancer chemotherapy; diseases such as atherosclerosis that are mediated by free radicals and nitric oxide action; bacterial endotoxic sepsis and related shock; adult respiratory distress

syndrome; and autoimmune or other patho-immunogenic diseases or reactions such as allergic reactions or anaphylaxis, rheumatoid arthritis, inflammatory bowel disease, ulcerative colitis, glomerulonephritis, systemic  
5 lupus erythematosus, transplant atherosclerosis and parasitic mediated immune dysfunctions such as Chagas's disease. .

The invention further provides a method for  
10 treating an MC-3-associated condition in a subject. The term "MC-3-associated condition" includes any condition or condition mediated by MC-3 or can be affected by binding an MC-3 ligand. Such conditions include inflammation and sexual dysfunction.

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The term "sexual dysfunction" herein means any condition that inhibits or impairs normal sexual function, including coitus. However, the term need not be limited to physiological conditions, but may include  
20 psychogenic conditions or perceived impairment without a formal diagnosis of pathology.

In males, sexual dysfunction includes erectile dysfunction. The term "erectile dysfunction" or  
25 "impotence" means herein the inability or impaired ability to attain or sustain an erection that would be of satisfactory rigidity for coitus. Sexual dysfunction in males can also include premature ejaculation and priapism, which is a condition of prolonged and sometimes  
30 painful erection unrelated to sexual activity, often associated with sickle-cell disease.

In females, sexual dysfunction includes sexual arousal disorder. The term "sexual arousal disorder" means herein a persistent or recurrent failure to attain or maintain the lubrication-swelling response of sexual excitement until completion of sexual activity. Sexual dysfunction in females can also include inhibited orgasm and dyspareunia, which is painful or difficult coitus. Sexual dysfunction can also be manifested as inhibited sexual desire or inhibited lordosis behavior in animals.

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In addition, the ability of the compounds to inhibit bacterial growth, and therefore be useful to that infection, can be determined by methods well known in the art. Compounds of the present invention can be shown to have antimicrobial activity by the *in vitro* antimicrobial activity assay described below and, therefore, are useful as antimicrobial agents.

Moreover, an exemplary *in vitro* antimicrobial activity assay is described in Blondelle and Houghten, *Biochemistry* 30:4671-4678 (1991), which is incorporated herein by reference. In brief, *Staphylococcus aureus* ATCC 29213 (Rockville, MD) is grown overnight at 37°C in Mueller-Hinton broth, then re-inoculated and incubated at 37°C to reach the exponential phase of bacterial growth (i.e., a final bacterial suspension containing  $10^5$  to  $5 \times 10^5$  colony-forming units/ml). The concentration of cells is established by plating 100  $\mu$ l of the culture solution using serial dilutions (e.g.,  $10^{-2}$ ,  $10^{-3}$  and  $10^{-4}$ ) onto solid agar plates. In 96-well tissue culture plates, compounds, individual or in mixtures, are added to the bacterial suspension at concentrations derived from serial two-fold dilutions ranging from 1500 to 2.9  $\mu$ g/ml.

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The plates are incubated overnight at 37°C and the growth determined at each concentration by OD<sub>620</sub> nm. The IC<sub>50</sub> (the concentration necessary to inhibit 50% of the growth of the bacteria) can then be calculated.

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The competitive ELISA method which can be used here is a modification of the direct ELISA technique described previously in Appel et al., J. Immunol. 144:976-983 (1990), which is incorporated herein by reference. It differs only in the MAb addition step. Briefly, multi-well microplates are coated with an antigenic peptide at a concentration of 100 pmol/50 µl. After blocking, 25 µl of a 1.0 mg/ml solution of each mixture of a synthetic combinatorial library (or individual compound) is added, followed by MAb 125-10F3 (Appel et al., *supra*) (25 µl per well). The MAb is added at a fixed dilution in which the bicyclic guanidine in solution effectively competes for MAb binding with the antigenic peptide adsorbed to the plate. The remaining steps are the same as for direct ELISA. The concentration of compound necessary to inhibit 50% of the MAb binding to the control peptide on the plate (IC<sub>50</sub>) is determined by serial dilutions of the compound.

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Alternative screening can be done with radio-receptor assays. The radio-receptor assay, can be selective for any one of the µ, κ, or δ opiate receptors. Compounds of the present invention can be useful in vitro for the diagnosis of relevant opioid receptor subtypes, such as κ, in the brain and other tissue samples. Similarly, the compounds can be used in vivo diagnostically to localize opioid receptor subtypes.

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The radio-receptor assays are also an indication of the compounds' analgesic properties as described, for example, in Dooley et al., *Proc. Natl. Acad. Sci.*, 90:10811-10815 (1993). For example, it can be envisioned that these compounds can be used for therapeutic purposes to block the peripheral effects of a centrally-acting pain killer. For instance, morphine is a centrally acting pain killer. Morphine, however, has a number of deleterious effects in the periphery which are not required for the desired analgesic effects, such as constipation and pruritus (itching). While it is known that the many compounds do not readily cross the blood-brain barrier and, therefore, elicit no central effect, the subject compounds can have value in blocking the periphery effects of morphine, such as constipation and pruritus. Accordingly, the subject compounds can also be useful as drugs, namely as analgesics, or to treat pathologies associated with other compounds which interact with the opioid receptor system.

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Additionally, such compounds can be tested in a  $\sigma$  receptor assay. Ligands for the  $\sigma$  receptor can be useful as antipsychotic agents, as described in Abou-Gharbia et al., *Annual Reports in Medicinal Chemistry*, 28:1-10 (1993).

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Radio-receptor assays can be performed with particulate membranes prepared using a modification of the method described in Pasternak et al., *Mol. Pharmacol.* 11:340-351 (1975), which is incorporated herein by reference. Rat brains frozen in liquid nitrogen can be obtained from Rockland (Gilbertsville, PA). The brains are thawed, the cerebella removed and the remaining

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tissue weighed. Each brain is individually homogenized in 40 ml Tris-HCl buffer (50 mM, pH 7.4, 4°C) and centrifuged (Sorvall® RC5C SA-600: Du Pont, Wilmington, DE) (16,000 rpm) for 10 minutes. The pellets are  
5 resuspended in fresh Tris-HCl buffer and incubated at 37°C for 40 minutes. Following incubation, the suspensions are centrifuged as before, the resulting pellets resuspended in 100 volumes of Tris buffer and the suspensions combined. Membrane suspensions are prepared  
10 and used in the same day. Protein content of the crude homogenates generally range from 0.15-0.2 mg/ml as determined using the method described in Bradford, M.M., *Anal. Biochem.* 72:248-254 (1976), which is incorporated herein by reference.

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Binding assays are carried out in polypropylene tubes, each tube containing 0.5 ml of membrane suspension. 8 nM of DAMGO (specific activity = 36 Ci/mmol, 160,000 cpm per tube; which can be obtained from  
20 Multiple Peptide Systems, San Diego, CA, through NIDA drug distribution program 271-90-7302) and 80 µg/ml of the subject compound, individual or as a mixture, and Tris-HCl buffer in a total volume of 0.65 ml. Assay tubes are incubated for 60 mins. at 25°C. The reaction  
25 is terminated by filtration through GF-B filters on a Tomtec harvester (Orange, CT). The filters are subsequently washed with 6 ml of Tris-HCl buffer, 4°C. Bound radioactivity is counted on a Pharmacia Biotech Betaplate Liquid Scintillation Counter (Piscataway, NJ)  
30 and expressed in cpm. To determine inter- and intra-assay variation, standard curves in which <sup>3</sup>H-DAMGO is incubated in the presence of a range of concentrations of unlabeled DAMGO (0.13-3900 nM) are generally included in

each plate of each assay (a 96-well format). Competitive inhibition assays are performed as above using serial dilutions of the bicyclic guanidines, individually or in mixtures. IC<sub>50</sub> values (the concentration necessary to inhibit 50% of <sup>3</sup>H-DAMGO binding) are then calculated. IC<sub>50</sub> values of less than 1000 nM are indicative of highly active opioid compounds which bind to the  $\mu$  receptor, with particularly active compounds having IC<sub>50</sub> values of 100 nM or less and the most active compounds with values of less than 10 nM.

As opposed to this  $\mu$  receptor selective assay, which can be carried out using <sup>3</sup>H-DAMGO as radioligand, as described above, assays selective for  $\kappa$  receptors can be carried out using [<sup>3</sup>H]-U69,593 (3 nM, specific activity 62 Ci/mmol) as radioligand. Assays selective for  $\delta$  opiate receptors can be carried out using tritiated DSLET ([D-Ser<sup>2</sup>, D-Leu<sup>5</sup>]-threonine-enkephalin) as radioligand. Assays selective for the  $\sigma$  opiate receptor can use radiolabeled pentazocine as ligand.

Screening of combinatorial libraries and compounds of the invention can be done with an anti-fungal assay. Compounds of the present invention can be useful for treating fungal infections.

Screening of combinatorial libraries and compounds of the invention also can be done with a calmodulin-dependent phosphodiesterase (CaMPDE) assay. Compounds of the present invention can be useful as calmodulin antagonists.

Calmodulin (CaM), which is the major intracellular calcium receptor, is involved in many processes that are crucial to cellular viability. In particular, calmodulin is implicated in calcium-stimulated cell proliferation. Calmodulin antagonists are, therefore, useful for treating conditions associated with increased cell proliferation, for example, cancer. In addition, calmodulin antagonists such as compounds of the subject invention are useful both in vitro and in vivo for identifying the role of calmodulin in other biological processes. The disadvantages of known antagonists such as trifluoperazine and N-(4-aminobutyl)-5-chloro-2-naphthalenesulfonamide (W13) include their non-specificity and toxicity. In contrast, advantages of the combinatorial libraries and compounds of the subject invention as calmodulin antagonists include their reduced flexibility and ability to generate broader conformational space of interactive residues as compared to their linear counterparts.

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An example of an assay that identifies CaM antagonists is a CaMPDE assay. In brief, samples are mixed with 50  $\mu$ l of assay buffer (360 mM Tris, 360 mM Imidazole, 45 mM  $\text{Mg}(\text{CH}_3\text{COO})_2$ , pH 7.5) and 10  $\mu$ l of  $\text{CaCl}_2$  (4.5 mM) to a final volume of 251  $\mu$ l. 25  $\mu$ l of calmodulin stock solution (Boehringer Mannheim; 0.01  $\mu$ g/ $\mu$ l) is then added and the samples then sit at room temperature for 10 minutes. 14  $\mu$ l of PDE (Sigma; 2 Units dissolved in 4 ml of water; stock concentration: 0.0005 Units/ $\mu$ l) is then added, followed by 50  $\mu$ l of 5'-nucleotidase (Sigma; 100 Units dissolved in 10 ml of 10 mM Tris-HCl containing 0.5 mM  $\text{Mg}(\text{CH}_3\text{COO})_2$ , pH 7.0; stock concentration: 10 Units/ml). The samples are then

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incubated for 10 minutes at 30°C. 50 µl of adenosine 3',5'-cyclic monophosphate (cAMP) (20 mM in water at pH 7.0) is added, the samples incubated for 1 hour at 30°C and then vortexed. 200 µl of trichloroacetic acid (TCA) (55% in water) is added to a 200 µl sample aliquot, which is then vortexed and centrifuged for 10 minutes. 80 µl of the resulting supernatants of each sample is transferred to a 96-well plate, with 2 wells each containing 80 µl of each sample. 80 µl of ammonium molybdate (1.1% in 1.1N H<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>) is then added to all the wells, and the OD of each were determined at 730nm, with the values later subtracted to the final OD reading. 16 µl of reducing agent (6g sodium bisulfite, 0.6g sodium sulfite and 125mg of 1-amino-2-naphtol-4-sulfonic acid in 50ml of water) is then added to one of each sample duplicate and 16 µl of water is added to the other duplicate. After sitting for 1 hour at room temperature, the OD of each well is determined at 730nm. The percent inhibition of calmodulin activity is then calculated for each sample, using as 0% inhibition a control sample containing all reagents without any test samples and as 100% inhibition a control sample containing test samples and all reagents except calmodulin. In addition, the percent inhibition of phosphodiesterase activity was determined by following a similar protocol as the CaMPDE assay described above, except not adding calmodulin to the sample mixture and calculating the percent inhibition by using as 0% inhibition a control reagent without any test samples and as 100% inhibition a control sample containing test samples and all reagents except cAMP.

The following examples are provided to illustrate but not limit the present invention. The following abbreviations have the corresponding meanings:

- 5 MBHA : 4-methylbenzhydrylamine;
- DMF : N,N-dimethylformamide;
- HOBt : 1-hydroxybenzotriazole;
- DMSO : dimethylsulfoxide;
- Boc : tert-butoxycarbonyl;
- 10 Fmoc : 9-fluorenyl-methoxycarbonyl;
- DMAP : 4-dimethylamino-pyridine;
- DIC : N,N'-diisopropylcarbodiimide;
- TFA : trifluoroacetic acid;
- DIEA : N,N-diisopropylethylamine;
- 15 DCM : dichloromethane;
- TMOF: trimethylorthoformate;
- HATU : azabenzotriazolyl-N,N,N',N'-tetramethyluronium  
hexafluorophosphate;
- CDI : carbonyldiimidazole
- 20 NMP : N-methylpyrrolidinone
- DMA : N,N-dimethyl acetamide
- RT : room temperature
- IPA : isopropyl alcohol
- MeOH: methanol
- 25 MeOEtOH : 2-methoxyethanol
- DCE : 1,2-dichloroethane
- THF : tetrahydrofuran
- ACN : acetonitrile
- Wang resin : *p*-benzyloxybenzyl alcohol-polystyrene
- 30 Br-Wang resin : *p*-benzyloxybenzyl bromide-polystyrene
- PP : polypropylene
- PPh3Br2 : triphenylphosphine dibromide
- DMAP : 4-dimethylamino-pyridine

- KOtBu : potassium tert-butoxide  
NaOMe : sodium methoxide  
BtCH<sub>2</sub>CN : 1-(cyanomethyl)benzotriazole  
DBU : 1,8-diazabicyclo[5.4.0]undec-7-ene  
5 Boc : tertbutoxycarbonyl;  
AcOH : acetic acid  
HPLC/MS : high performance liquid chromatography - mass spectrometry;  
FIA/MS : flow injection analysis - mass spectrometry  
10 ELSD : evaporative light scattering detector  
THB : Todd Hewitt Broth  
OD : optical density

#### Example 1

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Synthesis of a combinatorial library of 2-amino benzoxazole derivatives (where Z is formula A)

##### Step 1. Preparation of SASRIN Aldehyde Resin

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Five 2L bottles were run in parallel to prepare 1kg of SASRIN aldehyde resin. The following description is for one of the five identical reactions.

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A 2L Pyrex media bottle was charged with 200 g Merrifield resin (100-200 mesh, 1.46 mmol/g). DMF (700 mL) was added and the bottle was shaken by hand to distribute the solvent within the swollen resin. A 1L Pyrex media bottle was charged with 4-hydroxy-2-methoxybenzaldehyde (140 g, 0.92 mol) and the aldehyde was dissolved in DMF (600mL). The aldehyde solution was cooled to 0° C (ice bath) and potassium tert-butoxide (98 g, 0.88 mol) was added in two equal portions waiting about 5 min. between additions. The bottle was removed

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from the ice bath and shaken periodically to help dissolve the potassium *tert*-butoxide. After the second portion of potassium *tert*-butoxide was added, the bottle is allowed to warm to 25°C. After 30 min. at 25°C, the  
5 potassium *tert*-butoxide dissolved, giving the solution a dark amber color.

The phenoxide solution was added to the swollen resin in four portions, shaking between portions. The 2L  
10 bottles were clamped horizontally in an orbital shaker oven and allowed to shake at 25°C for 30 min. The temperature was then increased to 50° C and the reaction shaken for 14 h. After cooling, the resin slurry was poured into a 10" x 12" 3-sided porous polypropylene  
15 packet (tea bag) sitting in a 2L beaker. After the solvent mixture had drained from the resin, the fourth side of the tea bag was sealed and the tea bags were washed in wide-mouth HDPE Nalgene bottles as follows: 2 x DMF, 4 x DMF/H<sub>2</sub>O (4:1), 4 x DMF, 4 x MeOH. The tea bags  
20 were allowed to air dry in a fume hood. From 200 g of starting Merrifield resin, 238 g of SASRIN aldehyde resin was obtained with a loading of 1.2 mmol/g.

**Step 2. Reductive Amination of SASRIN Aldehyde Resin with  
25 Primary Amines (Step 1 of Figure 1)**

SASRIN aldehyde resin was swollen in 1% AcOH/DMF (by volume). The amine (0.15M) was added and the bottle(s) placed on a shaker for 30 min. NaBH<sub>3</sub>CN (2  
30 eq to amine, 0.3M) was added, and the reaction bottles placed on a shaker at room temperature for 18 h. The resin was washed as follows: DMF (4x), MeOH (4x) and then .

allowed to air dry. For the amines that were hydrochloride salts, 1 eq of DIEA was added. The amines added were as follows:

- 5 CYCLOPROPYLAMINE
- CYCLOPENTYLAMINE
- CYCLOHEXYLAMINE
- AMINOMETHYLCYCLOHEXANE
- L-LEUCINE
- 10 1-(2-AMINOETHYL) PYRROLIDINE
- 1-(3-AMINOPROPYL)-2-PYRROLIDINONE
- 1-(1-NAPHTHYL) ETHYLAMINE
- 1-NAPHTHALENEMETHYLAMINE
- CYCLOHEPTYLAMINE
- 15 TETRAHYDROFURFURYLAMINE
- 2-THIOPHENEMETHYLAMINE
- 3,4-METHYLENEDIOXYBENZYLAMINE
- 4-AMINO-2,2,6,6-TETRAMETHYLPIPERIDINE
- 4-(2-AMINOETHYL) MORPHOLINE
- 20 N-(3-AMINOPROPYL) MORPHOLINE
- 2-(2-AMINOETHYL) PYRIDINE
- 3-(AMINOMETHYL) PYRIDINE
- ETHYL 4-AMINO-1-PIPERIDINECARBOXYLATE
- 4-AMINO-1-BENZYLPIPERIDINE
- 25 1-(2-AMINOETHYL) PIPERIDINE
- P-ANISIDINE
- 1,3-DIMETHYLBUTYLAMINE
- 1-METHYL-3-PHENYLPROPYLAMINE
- 2-AMINO-5-DIETHYLAMINOPENTANE
- 30 BENZYLAMINE
- 2-FLUOROBENZYLAMINE
- 2-CHLOROBENZYLAMINE
- 3-FLUOROBENZYLAMINE
- 3,4-DICHLOROBENZYLAMINE
- 35 3-METHOXYBENZYLAMINE
- 3,4-DIMETHOXYBENZYLAMINE
- 3-(TRIFLUOROMETHYL) BENZYLAMINE
- 4-FLUOROBENZYLAMINE
- 4-METHYLBENZYLAMINE
- 40 N,N-DIETHYLETHYLENEDIAMINE
- 2-METHOXYETHYLAMINE
- 2-(3,4-DIMETHOXYPHENYL) ETHYLAMINE
- 2-(4-CHLOROPHENYL) ETHYLAMINE
- 2-(4-METHOXYPHENYL) ETHYLAMINE
- 45 PROPARGYLAMINE
- ALLYLAMINE
- N,N-DIMETHYL-1,3-PROPANEDIAMINE

N,N-DIETHYL-1,3-PROPANEDIAMINE  
1-(3-AMINOPROPYL) IMIDAZOLE  
2-(TRIFLUOROMETHYL) BENZYLAMINE  
ETHYL 4-AMINOBUTYRATE HYDROCHLORIDE  
5 4-TERT-BUTYLCYCLOHEXYLAMINE  
1-(3-AMINOPROPYL) PYRROLIDINE  
2-BROMOBENZYLAMINE  
2,4-DIMETHYLBENZYLAMINE  
N-(2-AMINOETHYL)-N-ETHYL-M-TOLUIDINE  
10 2-ETHOXYETHYLAMINE  
3-CHLOROBENZYLAMINE  
3-(METHYLTHIO) PROPYLAMINE  
(R)-(-)-1-CYCLOHEXYLETHYLAMINE  
THIOPHENE-2-ETHYLAMINE  
15 3,5-DIMETHOXYBENZYLAMINE  
2,4-DICHLOROPHENETHYLAMINE  
4-(TRIFLUOROMETHOXY) BENZYLAMINE  
L-PHENYLALANINE  
L-ALANINE  
20 2-FLUOROPHENETHYLAMINE  
2-(4-FLUOROPHENYL) ETHYLAMINE  
N-(3-AMINOPROPYL)-N-METHYLANILINE  
L-ARGININE

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**Step 3. Coupling of Thiomethylbenzoxazole Cores to Resin Bound Secondary Amines (Step 2 of Figure 1).**

- (a) Boc-Deprotection for Boc-Arg (Tos)-mBHA containing  
30 bags (see starting material shown in Figure 2): Bags  
were rinsed with DCM, treated with a solution of 55%  
TFA/DCM for 30 minutes, then washed as follows: DCM,  
IPA (2x), DCM (2x), MeOH, and then air dried. Just  
prior to acylation did neutralization as follows: DCM,  
35 5% DIEA/DCM, DCM.
- (b) Acylation of all bags was carried out in two  
batches, each done in a 20L Nalgene container, with  
both Sasrin and mBHA resins reacted together. For  
example, a batch of 364 bags (0.66 mol) was placed in  
40 the 20L Nalgene bottle, a solution of DCM/DMF (ratio  
2:1, 9.5L) was added followed by 5-carboxy-2-

(methylthio)-1,3-benzoxazole (0.2M, 1.97 mol, 410.8 g),  
4-dimethylaminopyridine (DMAP, 1.31 mol, 160.09 g), and  
1,3-diisopropylcarbodiimide (DIC, 1.97 mol, 308 ml).  
The bottle was shaken, then vented one time. The  
5 bottle was then shaken for 18 h at room temperature.  
The resin was washed as follows: DMF (6x), MeOH (4x).  
The bags were then air dried.

10 Step 4. Displacement of S-Me by Symmetrical Diamines  
(Step 3 of Figure 1).

Eight diamines were used:

PIPERAZINE  
15 4,4'-BIPERIDINE DIHYDROCHLORIDE  
1,4-BIS(3-AMINOPROPYL) PIPERAZINE  
HOMOPIPERAZINE  
1,4-DIAMINO BUTANE  
N,N'-DIETHYL-1,3-PROPANEDIAMINE  
20 1,3-DI-4-PIPERIDYLPROPANE  
1,8-DIAMINO-3,6-DIOXA OCTANE

The reactions were run in wide-mouthed glass  
containers ranging from 1L to 5L in size. The excess  
25 ranged from 18 to 50 fold, depending on the amount of  
solvent necessary to adequately cover the bags. Bags  
were added to the appropriate container, anhydrous DMSO  
was added, and then the diamine (0.6M). Containers were  
placed in an oven shaker and heated at 75°C for 90 h. The  
30 containers were then removed from the oven and allowed to  
cool.

One DMF wash was performed per container, then  
the bags were combined in a 20L Nalgene container for the  
35 remaining washes: DMF (5x), MeOH (4x), then bags were  
placed in a fume hood to air dry.

**Step 5. Derivatization of the Substituted  
Aminobenzoxazole (Step 4 of Figure 1).**

- 5        **Acylation (X=C(O)):** For 45  $\mu$ mol aminobenzoxazole  
resin per well of a 96-well microtiter plate, 700  $\mu$ L  
RCO<sub>2</sub>H/DIEA/DMAP/DCM-DMF (0.5M, 0.35 mmol RCO<sub>2</sub>H; 1.1M, 0.77  
mmol DIEA; 0.16M, 0.112 mmol DMAP; 2:1 DCM-DMF) and 700  
 $\mu$ L HBTU/DMF (0.5M, 0.35mmol) were added to each well.  
10    The carboxylic acids (RCO<sub>2</sub>H) used were as follows:

- CYCLOPROPANECARBOXYLIC ACID  
1-METHYLCYCLOPROPANE-1-CARBOXYLIC ACID  
1-METHYL-1-CYCLOHEXANECARBOXYLIC ACID  
15    TRANS-1,2-CYCLOHEXANEDICARBOXYLIC ACID  
(-)-MENTHOXYACETIC ACID  
1,1-CYCLOHEXANEDIACETIC ACID  
BENZOIC ACID  
N-PHENYLANTHRANILIC ACID  
20    FLUFENAMIC ACID  
2,4-DIMETHYLBENZOIC ACID  
3-BENZOYLBENZOIC ACID  
2-PROPYLPENTANOIC ACID  
2-ETHYLHEXANOIC ACID  
25    TRANS-2-PENTENOIC ACID  
TERT-BUTYLACETIC ACID  
2-KETOBUTYRIC ACID  
2-ETHYL-2-HYDROXYBUTYRIC ACID  
METHOXYACETIC ACID  
30    2-(TRIFLUOROMETHYL) PHENYLACETIC ACID  
4-(TRIFLUOROMETHYL) PHENYLACETIC ACID  
5-CHLOROVALERIC ACID  
3-FUROIC ACID  
N-ACETYL-DL-TRYPTOPHAN  
35    3-INDOLEPROPIONIC ACID  
3,4-DIFLUOROPHENYLACETIC ACID  
3-(PHENYLSULFONYL) PROPIONIC ACID  
2,4-DIFLUOROBENZOIC ACID  
3-CYCLOHEXENECARBOXYLIC ACID  
40    2-BENZYLOXYPHENYLACETIC ACID  
N-ACETYL-L-PROLINE  
1-ACETYLPYPERIDINE-4-CARBOXYLIC ACID  
5-CHLOROTHIOPHENE-2-CARBOXYLIC ACID  
2-(2-METHOXYETHOXY)ACETIC ACID  
45    BENZO[B]THIOPHENE-3-ACETIC ACID

METHANESULFONYLACETIC ACID  
5-HEXYNOIC ACID  
3-FLUORO-2-METHYL-BENZOIC ACID  
2-METHYL-3-FUROIC ACID  
5 6-HEPTYNOIC ACID  
5-METHYLISOXAZOLE-4-CARBOXYLIC ACID

The Plates were capped, vortexed, and placed on a shaker  
at room temperature for 48 h. The resin was washed by  
10 DMF (7x), MeOH (6x), and dried.

*Sulfonylation* (X=SO<sub>2</sub>): For 45 μmol of  
aminobenzoxazole resin in each well of a 96-well  
microtiter plate, 1 mL RSO<sub>2</sub>Cl/THF-ACN /NMM/NMI (0.3M, 0.3  
15 mmol RSO<sub>2</sub>Cl; 20% THF-ACN (by volume); 0.6M, 0.6 mmol NMM;  
0.1M, 0.1 mmol NMI) was added to each well. The sulfonyl  
chlorides (RSO<sub>2</sub>Cl) used were as follows:

1-NAPHTHALENESULFONYL CHLORIDE  
20 2-NAPHTHALENESULFONYL CHLORIDE  
2-ACETAMIDO-4-METHYL-5-THIAZOLESULFONYL CHLORIDE  
2-THIOPHENESULFONYL CHLORIDE  
8-QUINOLINESULFONYL CHLORIDE  
2-MESITYLENESULFONYL CHLORIDE  
25 3-NITROBENZENESULFONYL CHLORIDE  
4-BROMOBENZENESULFONYL CHLORIDE  
4-FLUOROBENZENESULFONYL CHLORIDE  
4-CHLOROBENZENESULFONYL CHLORIDE  
4-ACETAMIDOBENZENESULFONYL CHLORIDE  
30 4-NITROBENZENESULFONYL CHLORIDE  
4-TERT-BUTYLBENZENESULFONYL CHLORIDE  
PENTAMETHYLBENZENESULFONYL CHLORIDE  
2,3,5,6-TETRAMETHYLBENZENESULFONYL CHLORIDE  
P-XYLENE-2-SULFONYL CHLORIDE  
35 3,4-DICHLOROBENZENESULFONYL CHLORIDE  
3-CHLORO-4-FLUOROBENZENESULPHONYL CHLORIDE  
4-ETHYLBENZENESULFONYL CHLORIDE  
4-N-PROPYLBENZENESULFONYL CHLORIDE  
4-N-AMYLBENZENESULFONYL CHLORIDE  
40 4-ISOPROPYLBENZENESULPHONYL CHLORIDE  
3-FLUOROBENZENESULPHONYL CHLORIDE  
4-(TRIFLUOROMETHYL)BENZENESULFONYL CHLORIDE  
2-CHLOROBENZENESULFONYL CHLORIDE

- 5-CHLOROTHIOPHENE-2-SULFONYL CHLORIDE
- 3-CHLOROBENZENESULFONYL CHLORIDE
- 3,5-DICHLOROBENZENESULFONYL CHLORIDE
- M-TOLUENESULFONYL CHLORIDE
- 5 2-CHLORO-6-METHYLBENZENESULFONYL CHLORIDE
- 2-BROMOBENZENESULFONYL CHLORIDE
- 2,4-DICHLOROBENZENESULFONYL CHLORIDE
- 1-METHYLIMIDAZOLE-4-SULPHONYL CHLORIDE
- 2-(METHOXYCARBONYL)THIOPHENE-3-SULPHONYL CHLORIDE
- 10 P-STYRENESULFONYL CHLORIDE
- 3,4-DIFLUOROBENZENESULPHONYL CHLORIDE
- 4-PENTYLBENZENE-1-SULFONYL CHLORIDE
- 4-N-BUTYLBENZENESULFONYL CHLORIDE
- 3-CHLORO-4-METHYLBENZENESULPHONYL CHLORIDE
- 15 2-METHYLSULFONYLBENZENESULFONYL CHLORIDE

Plates were capped, vortexed, and placed on a shaker at room temperature for 48 h. The resin was washed by ACN (6x), MeOH (6x), and then air dried.

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**Step 6. Cleavage from Linker and Extraction (Step 5 of Figure 5).**

Because three different types of resins were  
25 used, three different cleavage procedure resulted.

(a) *Sasrin resin, no side-chain protection in the R<sub>1</sub> position:* To the dry microtiter plates containing the aminobenzoxazole resins was added 0.5 mL of 10% TFA/DCM  
30 to each well containing resin. Plates were capped and placed on a shaker at room temperature for 3 h. Plates were transferred to a GENEVAC to remove the volatile TFA/DCM solution. The plates were extracted with acetic acid and the extractions were lyophilized.  
35 The final substituted-aminobenzoxazole products were then analyzed by FIA/MS and HPLC/ELSD.

(b) *Sasrin resin, tert-Butyl ester protection of the R<sub>1</sub> side-chain:* To the dry microtiter plates containing the

- aminobenzoxazole resins was added 0.5 mL of 20% TFA/DCM to each well containing resin. Plates were capped and placed on a shaker at room temperature for 3 h. Plates were transferred to a GENEVAC (Valley College, New York) to remove the volatile TFA/DCM solution. The plates were extracted with acetic acid and the extractions were lyophilized. The final substituted-aminobenzoxazole products were then analyzed by FIA/MS and HPLC/ELSD.
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- 10 (c) MBHA resin: The dry microtiter plates containing the aminobenzoxazole resin were placed in an HF chamber and sealed. The chamber was flushed with nitrogen for 1 h. Gaseous HF was then added to the chamber for 30 minutes. The chamber was isolated and allowed to stand at room temperature for 2 h. To remove HF, the chamber was flushed with nitrogen for 2.5 h. The plates were removed from the HF chamber and placed in a dessicator under vacuum overnight. The plates were extracted with acetic acid and the extractions were lyophilized. The final substituted-aminobenzoxazole products were then analyzed by FIA/MS and HPLC/ELSD.
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#### Example 2

- 25 Synthesis of a combinatorial library of 2-amino benzoxazole derivatives (where Z is formula B)

- 30 Step 1. Reductive Amination of SASRIN Aldehyde Resin with Primary Amines

- 2.5 g tea bags containing SASRIN aldehyde resin were swollen in 1% AcOH/DMF (by volume). An amine (0.15M) was added and the bottle(s) placed on a shaker for 30 min. (see amines listed in step 1 of Example 1).
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NaBH<sub>3</sub>CN (2 eq to amine, 0.3M) was added and the reaction bottles placed on a shaker at room temperature for 18 hours, with the bottles need to be vented after the first 30 min. to prevent pressure build up due to the release of H<sub>2</sub>(g). The resin was washed as follows: DMF (4x), MeOH (4x) and then allowed to air dry. For the amines that were hydrochloride salts, 1 eq of DIEA was added.

10 **Step 2. Coupling of Thiomethylbenzoxazole Cores to Resin Bound Secondary Amine**

Acylation of all bags was carried out in two batches, each done in a 20L Nalgene container. For example, a batch of 256 bags was placed in the 20L Nalgene bottle, a solution of DCM/DMF (ratio 2:1, 7L) was added followed by 5-carboxy-2-(methylthio)-1,3-benzoxazole (0.2M, 1.4 mol, 293 g), 4-dimethylaminopyridine (DMAP, 0.91 mol, 111 g), and 1,3-diisopropylcarbodiimide (DIC, 1.4 mol, 220 ml). The container was shaken, vented and placed on a shaker for 18 h at room temperature. The resin was washed as follows: DMF (6x), MeOH (4x). The bags were dried.

25 **Step 3. Displacement of S-Me by Amino Alcohols**

3 amino alcohols used: L-pyrrolinol, 3-piperidine methanol, and N-(2-hydroxyethyl)piperazine. The reactions were run in wide-mouthed glass containers ranging from 4L to 6L in size. Bags were added to the appropriate container, N,N-dimethylacetamide was added followed by tetramethylguanidine (TMG) and the amino alcohol (0.6M). Containers were placed in an oven shaker and heated at 73° C for 64 h. The containers were then removed from the oven and allowed to cool. One DMF wash

was performed per container, then the bags were combined in a 20L Nalgene container for the remaining washes: DMF (5x), MeOH (4x). The bags were placed in a fume hood to air dry.

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#### Step 4. Bromination of the Primary Alcohols

Bromination was carried out in four batches. The following description is for one of the four identical batches. A 8 L glass vessel wash charged with 10 7 L of DCM,  $\text{Ph}_3\text{P Br}_2$  (840 g, 2.0 mol) and  $\text{Et}_3\text{N}$  (840 mL, 6.0 mol). After mixing the solution to dissolve the reagent, 130 tea bags were added and the vessel placed on a shaker for 16 h. The bags were washed with DCM (x2), 15 MeOH (x1), DMF (x4), and MeOH (x3). After drying the resin, the intermediates were analyzed by HPLC-MS.

#### Step 5. Displacement of Bromide with Primary and Secondary Amines

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After resin distribution into 96 well microtiter plates, each amine was dissolved in a solution of 0.3M TMG in DMF to make a solution that was 0.6M in amine. The amines used were as follows:

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Nipecotamide  
L-Prolinamide  
Pyrrolidine  
Piperidine  
30 1-methylpiperazine  
Ethanolamine  
Morpholine  
2-piperidinemethanol  
N-methylbenzylamine  
35 Ethyl isonipecotate  
1-phenylpiperazine  
1-(2-pyrimidyl)-piperazine

- N-methylcyclohexylamine
- N-methylisobutylamine
- Thiomorpholine
- R-(-)-1-cyclohexylethylamine
- 5 1,2,3,4,-tetrahydroisoquinoline
- N-ethylbenzylamine
- N,N,N'-triethylethylenediamine
- 1-benzylpiperazine
- Neopentylamine
- 10 Aminomethylcyclohexane
- Homopiperazine
- Decahydroquinoline
- Hexamethyleneimine
- Ethyl nipecotate
- 15 N-methyl-N-propylamine
- N,N,N'-trimethyl-1,3-propanediamine
- 4-hydroxypiperidine
- 2,6-dimethylpiperazine
- 1-methylhomopiperazine
- 20 2-methylpiperidine
- 3,5-dimethylpiperidine
- 3-(dimethylamino)pyrrolidine
- 3-(tert-butoxycarbonylamino)pyrrolidine
- N-methylallylamine
- 25 N-methyl-Beta-alaninenitrile
- Di-(2-picolyl)amine
- N-heptylmethylamine
- 2-(ethylamino)ethanol
- N-ethyl-N-butylamine
- 30 N-ethylpiperazine
- 2,6-dimethylmorpholine
- N-sec-butyl-N-propylamine
- N-(N-butyl)-N-propylamine
- 3-(ethylamino)-propionitrile

- 35 Using robotic delivery, 1 mL of the amine solution was added to the wells of the microtiter plates containing the bromide resins. The plates were vortexed and were placed in a shaker oven at 50° C for 64 h. After cooling
- 40 to room temperature, the resin was robotically washed using DMF (x8) and MeOH (x6).

**Step 6. Cleavage from Linker and Extraction**

To dry microtiter plates containing the aminobenzoxazole resins was added 0.5 mL of 10% TFA/DCM to each well. The plates were capped and placed on a shaker at room temperature for 3 h. The plates were transferred to a GENEVAC to remove the volatile TFA/DCM solution. The plates were extracted with AcOH and the extract frozen and lyophilized to afford the products as yellow oils. All of the final products were analyzed by HPLC/MS using ELSD detection to determine purity.

**Example 3****Anti-microbial Screen**

*Streptococcus pyogenes* (ATCC# 97-03 14289) are grown in Todd Hewitt Broth (THB) (Difco Laboratories #0492-17-6) overnight until they reach an optical density of (OD = 0.636@ 570 nm) by reading 0.1 ml in a 96 well microtiter plate in a Molecular Devices Thermomax. This preparation is kept frozen as stocks in 30% v/v glycerol in 1.5 ml aliquots at -70°C until use. Prior to experiments, 1.5 ml aliquots are thawed and diluted into 50 ml THB. 200 ul of this dilution is added to 92 wells of microtiter plate. To three wells THB (200 ul) is added to serve as a blank and a sterility control. Test compounds in DMSO and appropriate concentrations of DMSO are added to Growth/Solvent Controls at 0 time. Plates are read at 0 time at 570 nm in the Molecular Devices plate reader to obtain compounds correction factors for insoluble or colored compounds. Plates are read again at 4 hrs.

Percent inhibition is calculated with the following formulae:

5     Color correct =  
       (O.D. 0 hr - Blank 0 hr)-(Solvent Control 0hr - Blank 0  
       hr)               -  
       % Inhibition =  
  
 10    100 - O.D. test compound 4 hr - Blank 4 hr - color correct  
               O.D. growth/solvent control 4 hr - Blank 4 hr

### EXAMPLE 4

15 Melanocortin Receptor Assay

This example describes methods for assaying binding to MC receptors.

20 All cell culture media and reagents are  
obtained from GibcoBRL (Gaithersburg MD), except for  
COSMIC CALF SERUM (HyClone; Logan UT). HEK 293 cell  
lines are transfected with the human MC receptors hMCR-1,  
hMCR-3, and hMCR-4 (Gantz et al., Biochem. Biophys. Res.  
25 Comm. 200:1214-1220 (1994); Gantz et al., J. Biol. Chem.  
268:8246-8250 (1993); Gantz et al. J. Biol. Chem.  
268:15174-15179 (1993); Haskell-Leuvano et al., Biochem.  
Biophys. Res. Comm. 204:1137-1142 (1994); each of which  
is incorporated herein by reference). Vectors for  
30 construction of an hMCR-5 expressing cell line are  
obtained, and a line of HEK 293 cells expressing hMCR-5  
is constructed (Gantz, *supra*, 1994). hMCR-5 has been  
described previously (Franberg et al., Biochem. Biophys.

Res. Commun. 236:489-492 (1997); Chowdhary et al.,  
Cytogenet. Cell Genet. 68:1-2 (1995); Chowdhary et al.,  
Cytogenet. Cell Genet. 68:79-81 (1995), each of which is  
incorporated herein by reference). HEK 293 cells are  
5 maintained in DMEM, 25 mM HEPES, 2 mM glutamine,  
non-essential amino acids, vitamins, sodium pyruvate,  
10% COSMIC CALF SERUM, 100 units/ml penicillin, 100 µg/ml  
streptomycin and 0.2 mg/ml G418 to maintain selection.

10 Before assaying, cells are washed once with  
phosphate buffered saline ("PBS"; without  $\text{Ca}^{2+}$  and  $\text{Mg}^{2+}$ ),  
and stripped from the flasks using 0.25% trypsin and  
0.5 mM EDTA. Cells are suspended in PBS, 10% COSMIC CALF  
SERUM and 1 mM  $\text{CaCl}_2$ . Cell suspensions are prepared at a  
15 density of  $2 \times 10^4$  cells/ml for HEK 293 cells expressing  
hMCR-3, hMCR-4 or hMCR-5, and  $1 \times 10^5$  cells/ml for HEK 293  
cells expressing hMCR-1. Suspensions are placed in a  
water bath and allowed to warm to 37°C for 1 hr.

20 Binding assays are performed in a total volume  
of 250 µl for HEK 293 cells. Control and test compounds  
are dissolved in distilled water.  $^{125}\text{I}$ -HP 467  
(50,000 dpm) (2000 Ci/mmol) (custom labeled by Amersham;  
Arlington Heights IL) is prepared in 50 mM Tris, pH 7.4,  
25 2 mg/ml BSA, 10 mM  $\text{CaCl}_2$ , 5 mM  $\text{MgCl}_2$ , 2 mM EDTA and added  
to each tube. To each tube is added  $4 \times 10^3$  HEK 293 cells  
expressing hMCR-3, hMCR-4 or hMCR-5, or  $2 \times 10^4$  cells  
expressing hMCR-1. Assays are incubated for 2.5 hr at  
37°C.

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GF/B filter plates are prepared by soaking for  
at least one hour in 5 mg/ml BSA and 10 mM  $\text{CaCl}_2$ . Assays  
are filtered using a Brandel 96-well cell harvester

(Brandel Inc.; Gaithersburg, MD). The filters are washed four times with cold 50 mM Tris, pH 7.4, and the filter plates dehydrated for 2 hr and 35  $\mu$ l of MICROSCINT is added to each well. Filter plates are counted using a  
5 Packard Topcount (Packard Instrument Co.) and data analyzed using GraphPad PRISM v2.0 (GraphPad Software Inc.; San Diego CA) and Microsoft EXCEL v5.0a (Microsoft Corp.; Redmond WA).

10 To assay 2-aminobenzoxazole derivative compounds, binding assays are performed in duplicate in a 96 well format. HP 467 is prepared in 50 mM Tris, pH 7.4, and  $^{125}$ I-HP 467 is diluted to give 100,000 dpm per 50  $\mu$ l. A 2-aminobenzoxazole derivative compound,  
15 synthesized as described in Examples 1 to 3, is added to the well in 25  $\mu$ l aliquots. A 25  $\mu$ l aliquot of  $^{125}$ I-HP 467 is added to each well. A 0.2 ml aliquot of suspended cells is added to each well to give the cell numbers indicate above, and the cells are incubated at 37°C for  
20 2.5 hr. Cells are harvested on GF/B filter plates as described above and counted.

#### EXAMPLE 5

25 Penile erection due to administration of a 2-aminobenzoxazole derivative compound

Adult male rats are housed 2-3 per cage and are acclimated to the standard vivarium light cycle (12 hr. light, 12 hr. dark), rat chow and water for a least a  
30 week prior to testing. All experiments are performed between 9 a.m. and noon and rats are placed in cylindrical, clear plexiglass chambers during the 60

minute observation period. Mirrors are positioned below and to the sides of the chambers, to improve viewing.

Observations begin 10 minutes after an  
5 unstraperitoneal injection of either saline or compound.  
An observer counts the number of grooming motions,  
stretches, yawns and penile erections (spontaneously  
occurring, not elicited by genital grooming) and records  
them every 5 minutes, for a total of 60 minutes. The  
10 observer is unaware of the treatment and animals are  
tested once, with n=6 in each group. Values in the  
figures represent the group mean and standard error of  
the mean. HP 228 can be used as a positive control for  
penile erections. Significant differences between groups  
15 are determined by an overall analysis of variance and the  
Student Neunmann-Keuls post hoc test can be used to  
identify individual differences between groups  
( $p \leq 0.05$ ).

20 All references cited herein are fully  
incorporated by reference.

Although the invention has been described with  
reference to the examples provided above, it should be  
25 understood that various modifications can be made by  
those skilled in the art without departing from the  
invention. Accordingly, the invention is set out in the  
following claims.

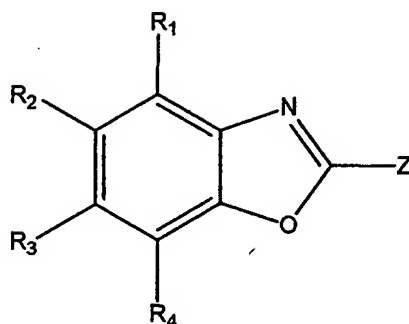


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WE CLAIM:

1. A single compound of the structure:

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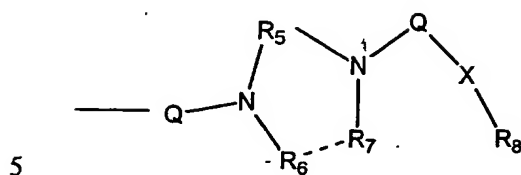
- 10 wherein  $R_1$  and  $R_4$ , and one of  $R_2$  and  $R_3$ , are independently selected from the group consisting of a hydrogen atom, halo, hydroxy, protected hydroxy, cyano,  $C_1$  to  $C_{12}$  alkyl,  $C_2$  to  $C_{12}$  alkenyl,  $C_2$  to  $C_{12}$  alkynyl,  $C_1$  to  $C_{12}$  substituted alkyl,  $C_2$  to  $C_{12}$  substituted alkenyl,  $C_2$  to  $C_{12}$  substituted alkynyl,  $C_1$  to  $C_{12}$  alkoxy,  $C_1$  to  $C_{12}$  substituted alkoxy,  $C_1$  to  $C_{12}$  acyloxy,  $C_1$  to  $C_{12}$  acyl,  $C_3$  to  $C_7$  cycloalkyl,  $C_3$  to  $C_7$  substituted cycloalkyl,  $C_5$  to  $C_7$  cycloalkenyl,  $C_5$  to  $C_7$  substituted cycloalkenyl, heterocyclic ring, substituted heterocyclic ring,  $C_7$  to  $C_{18}$  phenylalkyl,  $C_7$  to  $C_{18}$  substituted phenylalkyl,  $C_1$  to  $C_{12}$  heterocycloalkyl,  $C_1$  to  $C_{12}$  substituted heterocycloalkyl, phenyl, substituted phenyl, naphthyl, substituted naphthyl, cyclic  $C_2$  to  $C_7$  alkylene, substituted cyclic  $C_2$  to  $C_7$  alkylene, cyclic  $C_2$  to  $C_7$  heteroalkylene, substituted cyclic  $C_2$  to  $C_7$  heteroalkylene, carboxy, protected carboxy, hydroxymethyl, protected hydroxymethyl, protected amino, protected (monosubstituted) amino, (disubstituted) amino,  $C_1$  to  $C_{10}$

alkyl protected amino, C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>10</sub> alkyl protected  
 (monosubstituted)amino, C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>10</sub> alkyl(disubstituted)amino,  
 C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>10</sub> substituted alkylamino, C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>10</sub> substituted alkyl  
 protected (monosubstituted)amino, C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>10</sub> substituted  
 5 alkyl(disubstituted)amino, carboxamide, C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>10</sub> alkylthio,  
 C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>10</sub> substituted alkylthio, C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>10</sub> alkylsulfonyl, C<sub>1</sub>  
 to C<sub>10</sub> substituted alkylsulfonyl, C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>10</sub> alkylsulfoxide,  
 C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>10</sub> substituted alkylsulfoxide, phenylthio,  
 substituted phenylthio, phenylsulfoxide, substituted  
 10 phenylsulfoxide, phenylsulfonyl, substituted phenylsulfonyl  
 and the group consisting of (i) the formula -C(O)NR<sup>11</sup>R<sup>12</sup>,  
 (ii) the formula -SR<sup>11</sup>, (iii) the formula -OR<sup>11</sup> and (iv) the  
 formula -C(O)OR<sup>11</sup>, wherein R<sup>11</sup> and R<sup>12</sup> are, independently,  
 selected from the group consisting of a hydrogen atom, C<sub>1</sub> to  
 15 C<sub>12</sub> alkyl, C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>12</sub> substituted alkyl, C<sub>2</sub> to C<sub>12</sub> alkenyl, C<sub>2</sub>  
 to C<sub>12</sub> substituted alkenyl, phenyl, substituted phenyl,  
 naphthyl, substituted naphthyl, C<sub>7</sub> to C<sub>18</sub> phenylalkyl, C<sub>7</sub> to  
 C<sub>18</sub> substituted phenylalkyl, C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>12</sub> heterocycloalkyl, C<sub>1</sub>  
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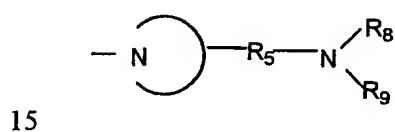
the other of R<sub>2</sub> and R<sub>3</sub> is selected from the group consisting  
 of a hydrogen atom, halo, hydroxy, protected hydroxy,  
 carboxy, thio, C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>12</sub> alkyl, C<sub>2</sub> to C<sub>12</sub> alkenyl, C<sub>2</sub> to C<sub>12</sub>  
 25 alkynyl, C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>12</sub> substituted alkyl, C<sub>2</sub> to C<sub>12</sub> substituted  
 alkenyl, C<sub>2</sub> to C<sub>12</sub> substituted alkynyl, C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>12</sub> alkoxy, C<sub>1</sub>  
 to C<sub>12</sub> substituted alkoxy, C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>12</sub> acyloxy, C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>12</sub> acyl,  
 C<sub>3</sub> to C<sub>7</sub> cycloalkyl, C<sub>3</sub> to C<sub>7</sub> substituted cycloalkyl, C<sub>5</sub> to  
 C<sub>7</sub> cycloalkenyl, C<sub>5</sub> to C<sub>7</sub> substituted cycloalkenyl,  
 30 heterocyclic ring, substituted heterocyclic ring, C<sub>7</sub> to C<sub>18</sub>

phenylalkyl, C<sub>7</sub> to C<sub>18</sub> substituted phenylalkyl, C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>12</sub>  
 heterocycloalkyl, C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>12</sub> substituted heterocycloalkyl,  
 phenyl, substituted phenyl, naphthyl, substituted naphthyl,  
 cyclic C<sub>2</sub> to C<sub>7</sub> alkylene, substituted cyclic C<sub>2</sub> to C<sub>7</sub>  
 5 alkylene, cyclic C<sub>2</sub> to C<sub>7</sub> heteroalkylene, substituted cyclic  
 C<sub>2</sub> to C<sub>7</sub> heteroalkylene, carboxy, protected carboxy,  
 hydroxymethyl, protected hydroxymethyl, protected amino,  
 protected (monosubstituted)amino, (disubstituted)amino, C<sub>1</sub>  
 to C<sub>10</sub> alkyl protected amino, C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>10</sub> alkyl protected  
 10 (monosubstituted)amino, C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>10</sub> alkyl(disubstituted)amino,  
 C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>10</sub> substituted alkyl protected amino, C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>10</sub>  
 substituted alkyl protected (monosubstituted)amino, C<sub>1</sub> to  
 C<sub>10</sub> substituted alkyl(disubstituted)amino, carboxamide, C<sub>1</sub>  
 to C<sub>10</sub> alkylthio, C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>10</sub> substituted alkylthio, C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>10</sub>  
 15 alkylsulfonyl, C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>10</sub> substituted alkylsulfonyl, C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>10</sub>  
 alkylsulfoxide, C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>10</sub> substituted alkylsulfoxide,  
 phenylthio, substituted phenylthio, phenylsulfoxide,  
 substituted phenylsulfoxide, phenylsulfonyl, substituted  
 phenylsulfonyl and the group consisting of (i) the formula  
 20 -C(O)NR<sup>11</sup>R<sup>12</sup>, (ii) the formula -SR<sup>11</sup>, (iii) the formula -OR<sup>11</sup>,  
 (iv) the formula -C(O)OR<sup>11</sup> and (v) the formula S(O)<sub>2</sub>NR<sup>11</sup>R<sup>12</sup>,  
 wherein R<sup>11</sup> and R<sup>12</sup> are, independently, selected from the  
 group consisting of a hydrogen atom, C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>12</sub> alkyl, C<sub>1</sub> to  
 C<sub>12</sub> substituted alkyl, C<sub>2</sub> to C<sub>12</sub> alkenyl, C<sub>2</sub> to C<sub>12</sub>  
 25 substituted alkenyl, phenyl, substituted phenyl, naphthyl,  
 substituted naphthyl, C<sub>7</sub> to C<sub>18</sub> phenylalkyl, C<sub>7</sub> to C<sub>18</sub>  
 substituted phenylalkyl, C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>12</sub> heterocycloalkyl, C<sub>1</sub> to  
 C<sub>12</sub> substituted heterocycloalkyl, heteroaryl, substituted  
 heteroaryl, heterocycle and substituted heterocycle;

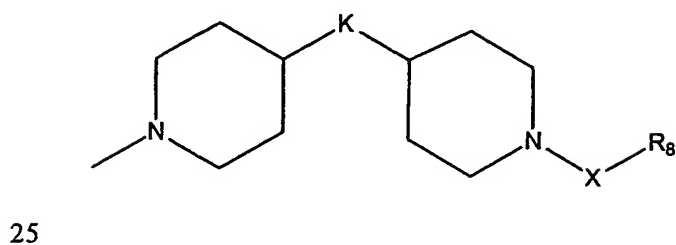
Z is the structure A:



10 or the structure B:



20 or the structure C:



wherein, in structure A, Q is the formula  $((CH_2)_nNH)_m$ , where m is 0 or 1, n is 1 to 6 and the alkylene portion of Q is directly attached to the depicted nitrogen atom in structure A; and the dotted line between R<sub>6</sub> and R<sub>7</sub> indicates that R<sub>6</sub> and R<sub>7</sub> are optionally directly attached;

wherein, in structure B, the depicted cyclic portion is an unsubstituted or substituted heterocycle that is fully saturated, contains 4 to 7 ring atoms, 1 to 2 nitrogen rings atoms and 0 to 1 other heteroatoms selected from  
5 oxygen and sulfur;

wherein, in structure C, K is absent or present and, if present, is a C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>12</sub> alkylene;

10 R<sub>5</sub> is selected from the group consisting of C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>10</sub> alkylene, C<sub>2</sub> to C<sub>10</sub> alkenylene, C<sub>2</sub> to C<sub>10</sub> alkynylene, C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>10</sub> substituted alkylene, C<sub>2</sub> to C<sub>10</sub> substituted alkenylene, C<sub>2</sub> to C<sub>10</sub> substituted alkynylene, substituted epimino, C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>5</sub> substituted alkylene epimino, thio, C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>10</sub> alkylene thio,  
15 C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>10</sub> substituted alkylene thio, sulfonyl, C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>10</sub> alkylene sulfonyl, C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>10</sub> substituted alkylene sulfonyl, sulfinyl, C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>10</sub> alkylene sulfinyl, C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>10</sub> substituted alkylene sulfinyl, oxy, C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>10</sub> alkylene oxy, C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>10</sub> substituted alkylene oxy, C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>10</sub> alkylene dioxy, C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>10</sub>  
20 substituted alkylene dioxy, C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>10</sub> alkylene trioxy and C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>10</sub> substituted alkylene trioxy;

X is absent or present and, if present, is selected from the group consisting of carbonyl, thiocarbonyl, thioester,  
25 sulfonyl and sulfinyl;

where R<sub>6</sub> and R<sub>7</sub> are not directly attached to each other, they are independently selected from the group consisting of  
30 a hydrogen atom, C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>12</sub> alkyl, C<sub>2</sub> to C<sub>12</sub> alkenyl, C<sub>2</sub> to C<sub>12</sub> alkynyl, C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>12</sub> substituted alkyl, C<sub>2</sub> to C<sub>12</sub> substituted

alkenyl, C<sub>2</sub> to C<sub>12</sub> substituted alkynyl, C<sub>3</sub> to C<sub>7</sub> cycloalkyl, C<sub>3</sub> to C<sub>7</sub> substituted cycloalkyl, C<sub>5</sub> to C<sub>7</sub> cycloalkenyl, C<sub>5</sub> to C<sub>7</sub> substituted cycloalkenyl, heterocyclic ring, substituted heterocyclic ring, C<sub>7</sub> to C<sub>18</sub> phenylalkyl, C<sub>7</sub> to C<sub>18</sub>

5 substituted phenylalkyl, C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>12</sub> heterocycloalkyl, C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>12</sub> substituted heterocycloalkyl, cyclic C<sub>2</sub> to C<sub>7</sub> alkylene, substituted cyclic C<sub>2</sub> to C<sub>7</sub> alkylene, cyclic C<sub>2</sub> to C<sub>7</sub> heteroalkylene, substituted cyclic C<sub>2</sub> to C<sub>7</sub> heteroalkylene, hydroxymethyl and protected hydroxymethyl; or

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where R<sub>6</sub> and R<sub>7</sub> are directly attached to each other are, collectively selected from the group consisting of C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>5</sub> alkylene, C<sub>2</sub> to C<sub>5</sub> alkenylene, C<sub>2</sub> to C<sub>5</sub> alkynylene, C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>5</sub> substituted alkylene, C<sub>2</sub> to C<sub>5</sub> substituted alkenylene, C<sub>2</sub> to C<sub>5</sub> substituted alkynylene, substituted epimino, C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>5</sub> substituted alkylene epimino, thio, C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>5</sub> alkylene thio, C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>5</sub> substituted alkylene thio, sulfonyl, C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>5</sub> alkylene sulfonyl, C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>5</sub> substituted alkylene sulfonyl, sulfinyl, C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>5</sub> alkylene sulfinyl, C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>5</sub> substituted alkylene sulfinyl, oxy, C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>5</sub> alkylene oxy, C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>5</sub> substituted alkylene oxy, C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>5</sub> alkylene dioxy, C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>5</sub> substituted alkylene dioxy, C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>5</sub> alkylene trioxy and C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>5</sub> substituted alkylene trioxy; and

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X is absent or present and, if present, is selected from the group consisting of carbonyl, thiocarbonyl, thioester, sulfonyl and sulfinyl; and

R<sub>8</sub> and, if present, R<sub>9</sub> are independently selected from the group consisting of a hydrogen atom, C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>12</sub> alkyl, C<sub>2</sub> to C<sub>12</sub> alkenyl, C<sub>2</sub> to C<sub>12</sub> alkynyl, C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>12</sub> substituted alkyl, C<sub>2</sub>

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to C<sub>12</sub> substituted alkenyl, C<sub>2</sub> to C<sub>12</sub> substituted alkynyl, C<sub>3</sub> to C<sub>7</sub> cycloalkyl, C<sub>3</sub> to C<sub>7</sub> substituted cycloalkyl, C<sub>5</sub> to C<sub>7</sub> cycloalkenyl, C<sub>5</sub> to C<sub>7</sub> substituted cycloalkenyl, heterocyclic ring, substituted heterocyclic ring, C<sub>7</sub> to C<sub>18</sub> phenylalkyl, C<sub>7</sub> to C<sub>18</sub> substituted phenylalkyl, C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>12</sub> heterocycloalkyl, C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>12</sub> substituted heterocycloalkyl, phenyl, substituted phenyl, naphthyl, substituted naphthyl, cyclic C<sub>2</sub> to C<sub>7</sub> alkylene, substituted cyclic C<sub>2</sub> to C<sub>7</sub> alkylene, cyclic C<sub>2</sub> to C<sub>7</sub> heteroalkylene, substituted cyclic C<sub>2</sub> to C<sub>7</sub> heteroalkylene, protected hydroxymethyl, protected amino, (monosubstituted)amino, protected (monosubstituted)amino, (disubstituted)amino, C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>10</sub> alkylamino, C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>10</sub> alkyl protected amino, C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>10</sub> alkyl (monosubstituted)amino, C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>10</sub> alkyl, protected (monosubstituted)amino, C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>10</sub> alkyl(disubstituted)amino, C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>10</sub> substituted alkylamino, C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>10</sub> substituted alkyl protected amino, C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>10</sub> substituted alkyl (monosubstituted)amino, C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>10</sub> substituted alkyl protected (monosubstituted)amino, C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>10</sub> substituted alkyl(disubstituted)amino, carboxamide, protected carboxamide, and the group consisting of (i) the formula -C(O)NR<sup>11</sup>R<sup>12</sup>, (ii) the formula -C(O)R<sup>11</sup>, (iii) the formula -NR<sup>11</sup>R<sup>12</sup>, (iv) the formula -C(O)OR<sup>11</sup>, wherein R<sup>11</sup> and R<sup>12</sup> are, independently, selected from the group consisting of a hydrogen atom, C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>12</sub> alkyl, C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>12</sub> substituted alkyl, C<sub>2</sub> to C<sub>12</sub> alkenyl, C<sub>2</sub> to C<sub>12</sub> substituted alkenyl, phenyl, substituted phenyl, naphthyl, substituted naphthyl, C<sub>7</sub> to C<sub>18</sub> phenylalkyl, C<sub>7</sub> to C<sub>18</sub> substituted phenylalkyl, C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>12</sub> heterocycloalkyl, C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>12</sub> substituted heterocycloalkyl, heteroaryl, substituted heteroaryl, heterocycle, substituted

heterocycle, C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>12</sub> acyl, C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>12</sub> substituted acyl,  
phenylsulfonyl, substituted phenylsulfonyl, C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>10</sub>  
alkylsulfonyl, C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>10</sub> substituted alkylsulfonyl, C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>12</sub>  
alkylaminocarbonyl, C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>12</sub> substituted alkylaminocarbonyl,  
5 phenylaminocarbonyl, and substituted phenylaminocarbonyl; or

R<sub>8</sub> and R<sub>9</sub>, together with the adjoining nitrogen depicted in  
structure B are, collectively, selected from the group  
consisting of heterocycle and substituted heterocycle;

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provided that, if X is carbonyl, R<sub>8</sub> is not alkoxy; and

provided that X can only be absent where R<sub>6</sub> and R<sub>7</sub> are not  
directly attached to each other; or

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a salt of said compound.

2. The single compound of claim 1, wherein:

20 R<sub>1</sub> and R<sub>4</sub> are independently selected from the group  
consisting of a hydrogen atom, halo, C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>12</sub> alkyl and C<sub>1</sub>  
to C<sub>12</sub> substituted alkyl.

3. The single compound of claim 1, wherein:

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one of R<sub>2</sub> and R<sub>3</sub> is selected from the group consisting of a  
hydrogen atom, halo, C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>12</sub> alkyl and C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>12</sub>  
substituted alkyl; and the other of R<sub>2</sub> and R<sub>3</sub> is selected  
from the group consisting of hydrogen atom, halo, hydroxy,  
30 carboxy, thio, carboxamide, the formula -C(O)NR<sup>11</sup>R<sup>12</sup> and the  
formula S(O)<sub>2</sub>NR<sup>11</sup>R<sup>12</sup>, wherein R<sup>11</sup> and R<sup>12</sup> are, independently,



selected from the group consisting of a hydrogen atom, C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>12</sub> alkyl, C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>12</sub> substituted alkyl, C<sub>2</sub> to C<sub>12</sub> alkenyl, C<sub>2</sub> to C<sub>12</sub> substituted alkenyl, phenyl, substituted phenyl, naphthyl, substituted naphthyl, C<sub>7</sub> to C<sub>18</sub> phenylalkyl, C<sub>7</sub> to C<sub>18</sub> substituted phenylalkyl, C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>12</sub> heterocycloalkyl and C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>12</sub> substituted heterocycloalkyl.

4. The single compound of claim 1, wherein R<sub>6</sub> and R<sub>7</sub> are not directly attached to each other and are independently selected from the group consisting of a hydrogen atom, C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>12</sub> alkyl, C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>12</sub> substituted alkyl, C<sub>3</sub> to C<sub>7</sub> cycloalkyl and C<sub>3</sub> to C<sub>7</sub> substituted cycloalkyl.

5. The single compound of claim 1, wherein:

R<sub>8</sub> and, if present, R<sub>9</sub> are independently selected from the group consisting of a hydrogen atom, C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>12</sub> alkyl, C<sub>2</sub> to C<sub>12</sub> alkenyl, C<sub>2</sub> to C<sub>12</sub> alkynyl, C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>12</sub> substituted alkyl, C<sub>2</sub> to C<sub>12</sub> substituted alkenyl, C<sub>3</sub> to C<sub>7</sub> cycloalkyl, C<sub>3</sub> to C<sub>7</sub> substituted cycloalkyl, C<sub>5</sub> to C<sub>7</sub> cycloalkenyl, C<sub>5</sub> to C<sub>7</sub> substituted cycloalkenyl, heterocyclic ring, substituted heterocyclic ring, C<sub>7</sub> to C<sub>18</sub> phenylalkyl, C<sub>7</sub> to C<sub>18</sub> substituted phenylalkyl, C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>12</sub> heterocycloalkyl, C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>12</sub> substituted heterocycloalkyl, phenyl, substituted phenyl, cyclic C<sub>2</sub> to C<sub>7</sub> alkylene, substituted cyclic C<sub>2</sub> to C<sub>7</sub> alkylene, cyclic C<sub>2</sub> to C<sub>7</sub> heteroalkylene and substituted cyclic C<sub>2</sub> to C<sub>7</sub> heteroalkylene; or

R<sub>8</sub> and R<sub>9</sub>, together with the adjoining nitrogen depicted in structure B are, collectively, selected from the group consisting of heterocycle and substituted heterocycle.

- 5 6. The single compound of claim 1, wherein R<sub>5</sub> is selected from the group consisting of C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>8</sub> alkylene and C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>8</sub> substituted alkylene.
7. The single compound of claim 1, wherein R<sub>6</sub> and R<sub>7</sub> are  
10 directly attached to each other and are, collectively, selected from the group consisting of C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>5</sub> alkylene and C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>5</sub> substituted alkylene.
8. The single compound of claim 1, wherein X is absent.  
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9. The single compound of claim 1, wherein X is selected from the group consisting of carbonyl and sulfonyl.
10. The single compound of claim 1, wherein:  
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- R<sub>1</sub> and R<sub>4</sub>, and one of R<sub>2</sub> and R<sub>3</sub>, are independently selected from the group consisting of a hydrogen atom, halo, protected hydroxy, cyano, C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>12</sub> alkyl, C<sub>2</sub> to C<sub>12</sub> alkenyl, C<sub>2</sub> to C<sub>12</sub> alkynyl, C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>12</sub> substituted alkyl, C<sub>2</sub> to C<sub>12</sub> substituted alkenyl, C<sub>2</sub> to C<sub>12</sub> substituted alkynyl, C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>12</sub> alkoxy, C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>12</sub> substituted alkoxy, phenyl, substituted phenyl, (disubstituted)amino, C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>10</sub> alkylthio and C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>10</sub> substituted alkylthio;  
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- 30 the other of R<sub>2</sub> and R<sub>3</sub> is selected from the group consisting of a hydrogen atom, halo, hydroxy, carboxy, thio,

- carboxamide, the formula  $-C(O)NR^{11}R^{12}$  and the formula  $S(O)_2NR^{11}R^{12}$ , wherein  $R^{11}$  and  $R^{12}$  are, independently, selected from the group consisting of a hydrogen atom,  $C_1$  to  $C_{12}$  alkyl,  $C_1$  to  $C_{12}$  substituted alkyl,  $C_2$  to  $C_{12}$  alkenyl,  $C_2$  to  $C_{12}$  substituted alkenyl, phenyl, substituted phenyl, naphthyl, substituted naphthyl,  $C_7$  to  $C_{18}$  phenylalkyl,  $C_7$  to  $C_{18}$  substituted phenylalkyl,  $C_1$  to  $C_{12}$  heterocycloalkyl and  $C_1$  to  $C_{12}$  substituted heterocycloalkyl; and
- 10 where  $R_6$  and  $R_7$  are not directly attached to each other, are independently selected from the group consisting of a hydrogen atom,  $C_1$  to  $C_{12}$  alkyl,  $C_1$  to  $C_{12}$  substituted alkyl,  $C_3$  to  $C_7$  cycloalkyl and  $C_3$  to  $C_7$  substituted cycloalkyl;
- 15  $R_8$  and, if present,  $R_9$  are independently selected from the group consisting of a hydrogen atom,  $C_1$  to  $C_{12}$  alkyl,  $C_2$  to  $C_{12}$  alkenyl,  $C_2$  to  $C_{12}$  alkynyl,  $C_1$  to  $C_{12}$  substituted alkyl,  $C_2$  to  $C_{12}$  substituted alkenyl,  $C_3$  to  $C_7$  cycloalkyl,  $C_3$  to  $C_7$  substituted cycloalkyl,  $C_5$  to  $C_7$  cycloalkenyl,  $C_5$  to  $C_7$  substituted cycloalkenyl, heterocyclic ring, substituted heterocyclic ring,  $C_7$  to  $C_{18}$  phenylalkyl,  $C_7$  to  $C_{18}$  substituted phenylalkyl,  $C_1$  to  $C_{12}$  heterocycloalkyl,  $C_1$  to  $C_{12}$  substituted heterocycloalkyl, phenyl, substituted phenyl, cyclic  $C_2$  to  $C_7$  alkylene, substituted cyclic  $C_2$  to  $C_7$  alkylene, cyclic  $C_2$  to  $C_7$  heteroalkylene and substituted cyclic  $C_2$  to  $C_7$  heteroalkylene; or
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- $R_8$  and  $R_9$ , together with the adjoining nitrogen depicted in structure B are, collectively, selected from the group consisting of heterocycle and substituted heterocycle; and

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R<sub>5</sub> is selected from the group consisting of C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>8</sub> alkylene and C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>8</sub> substituted alkylene;

where R<sub>6</sub> and R<sub>7</sub> are directly attached to each other, they  
5 are, collectively, selected from the group consisting of C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>5</sub> alkylene and C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>5</sub> substituted alkylene; and

X is absent or present and, if present, is selected from the group consisting of carbonyl and sulfonyl.

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11. The compound of claim 1, wherein Z is the structure A.

12. The compound of claim 1, wherein Z is the structure B.

15 13. The compound of claim 11, wherein R<sub>6</sub> and R<sub>7</sub> are directly attached to each other.

14. The compound of claim 11, wherein R<sub>6</sub> and R<sub>7</sub> are not directly attached to each other.

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15. The compound of claim 11, wherein the cyclic portion of structure A is selected from the group consisting of 1,4-piperazine and 1,4-homopiperazine.

25 16. The compound of claim 1, wherein:

R<sub>1</sub> and R<sub>4</sub> are each hydrogen; and

one of R<sub>2</sub> and R<sub>3</sub> is hydrogen and the other is the formula  
30 -C(O)NR<sup>11</sup>R<sup>12</sup>, wherein one of R<sup>11</sup> and R<sup>12</sup> is hydrogen and the

other is selected from the group consisting of 2-morpholin-4-yl-ethyl, 3-pyrrolidin-1-yl-propyl, allyl, 3-fluorobenzyl, 2-piperidin-1-yl-ethyl, 4-morpholino-3-propyl, ethyl-4-butyryl, 2-methoxyethyl, benzyl, 4-methylbenzyl, N,N-diethylethylene, N,N-diethyl-1,3-propylene, 3,5-dimethoxybenzyl, 4-fluorophenethyl, 4-fluorobenzyl, 2-fluorophenethyl, 2-(3,4-dimethoxyphenyl)ethyl, 2-pyridin-2-yl-ethyl, propargyl, 2-pyrrolidin-1-yl-ethyl, 2-chlorobenzyl, cyclopropyl, 10 pyridin-3-yl-methyl, 2-thiophenemethyl, 3-(methylthio)propyl, cyclohexanemethyl, 2-ethoxyethyl, cyclopentyl, cyclohexyl, 3-chlorobenzyl, 4-methoxyphenethyl, 2-(4-chlorophenyl)ethyl, 3-dimethylamino-1-propyl, 3,4-dimethoxybenzyl, 2-bromobenzyl, N-(3-propyl)-15 N-methylaniline, 2-propionic acid, 2-(3-phenyl)-propionic acid, 2-(4-methyl)-pentanoic acid, ( $\pm$ )-tetrahydrofuryl, 3-imidazol-1-yl-propyl, 2-trifluoromethylbenzyl, cycloheptyl, 2,4-dichlorophenethyl, 1-(3-propyl)-pyrrolidin-2-one, 4-tert-butylcyclohexyl, 2,2,6,6-20 tetramethyl-piperidin-4-yl, 5-diethylamino-2-pentyl, 1,3-dimethylbutyl, 2,4-dimethylbenzyl, thiophene-2-ethyl, 4-methoxyphenyl, 4-piperidino-1-carboxylic acid ethyl ester, 3-methoxybenzyl, N-1-ethyl-N-1-m-tolyl-2-ethyl, 1-benzyl-piperidin-4-yl, 1-methyl-3-phenylpropyl, 2-25 fluorobenzyl, 3-(trifluoromethyl)benzyl, piperonyl, 1-naphthalenemethyl, 3,4-dichlorobenzyl, (R)-(-)-1-cyclohexylethyl, (+/-)-1-(1-naphthyl)ethyl, 4-(trifluoromethoxy)benzyl and 5-guanidinopentanoic acid-2-yl.

17. The single compound of claim 16, wherein:

Z is the structure A or the structure C, wherein:

5 X is carbonyl and the combination of X-R<sub>8</sub> is selected from the group consisting of benzoyl, methoxyacetyl, tert-butylacetyl, 2,4-difluorobenzoyl, 2,4-dimethylbenzoyl, 2-ethylhexanoyl, 2-propylpentanoyl, 3-indolepropionyl, N-phenylanthranilyl, trans-2-carboxycyclohexanoyl, cyclohex-3-  
10 en-oyl, trans-pent-2-en-oyl, 1-methyl-1-cyclohexanoyl, 1-acetylpiperidine-4-carbonyl, cyclopropanecarbonyl, methanesulfonylacetyl, 5-hexynoyl, 3-furoyl, 3,4-difluorophenylacetyl, 3-benzoyl-benzoyl, 2-(trifluoromethyl)phenylacetyl, 4-  
15 (trifluoromethyl)phenylacetyl, 2-acetylamino-3-(1H-indol-3-yl)-propionyl, 3-(phenylsulfonyl)propionyl, 2-benzyloxyphenylacetyl, benzo(b)thiophene-3-acetyl, 3-fluoro-2-methyl-benzoyl, 1-methylcyclopropane-1-carboxyl, (-)-menthoxyacetyl, cyclohexyl-1-acetic acid-1-  
20 methylcarbonyl, 2-(3-trifluoromethyl-phenylamino)-benzoyl, 2-ketobutyryl, 2-ethyl-2-hydroxybutyryl, 5-chlorovaleryl, 1-acetyl-pyrrolidine-2-carbonyl, 5-chlorothiophene-2-carboxylyl, 2-(2-methoxyethoxy)acetyl, 2-methyl-3-furoyl, 6-heptynoyl, 5-methylisoxazole-4-carbonyl; or

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X is sulfonyl and the combination of X-R<sub>8</sub> is selected from the group consisting of 2-mesitylenesulfonyl, 2-naphthenesulfonyl, 2-thiophenesulfonyl, 4-chlorobenzenesulfonyl, 4-fluorobenzenesulfonyl, N-  
30 acetylsulfanilyl, 2-acetomide-4-methyl-5-thiazolesulfonyl,

4-tert-butylbenzenesulfonyl, 8-quinolinesulfonyl, 3-chloro-4-fluorobenzenesulphonyl, 4-ethylbenzenesulfonyl, pentamethylbenzenesulfonyl, 2,4-dichlorobenzenesulphonyl, 2-chloro-6-methylbenzenesulphonyl, 3,4-  
5 difluorobenzenesulphonyl, 3,5-dichlorobenzenesulfonyl, 3-chlorobenzenesulfonyl, 3-fluorobenzenesulphonyl, 4-trifluoromethylbenzenesulphonyl, 2-(methoxycarbonyl)thiophene-3-sulfonyl, 1-methylimidazole-4-sulfonyl, 3-chloro-4-methylbenzenesulfonyl, 4-  
10 isopropylbenzenesulphonyl, 3,4-dichlorobenzenesulfonyl, 1-naphthalenesulfonyl, 3-nitrobenzenesulfonyl, 4-bromobenzenesulfonyl, 4-nitrobenzenesulfonyl, 2,3,5,6-tetramethylbenzenesulfonyl, p-xylene-2-sulfonyl, 4-n-propylbenzenesulfonyl, 4-n-amybenzenesulfonyl,  
15 2-chlorobenzenesulfonyl, 5-chlorothiophene-2-sulfonyl, m-toluenesulfonyl, 2-bromobenzenesulfonyl, p-styrenesulfonyl, 4-pentylbenzene-1-sulfonyl, 4-n-butylbenzenesulfonyl and 2-methylsulfonylbenzenesulfonyl.

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18. The compound of claim 17, wherein:

Z is the structure A, wherein:

25 m is 0;

R<sub>5</sub> is selected from the group consisting of 1,4-butylene, 1,2-ethylene and 1,3-propylene;

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R<sub>6</sub> and R<sub>7</sub> are directly attached and, combined, is 1,2-ethylene; or R<sub>6</sub> and R<sub>7</sub> are not directly attached and are each selected from the group consisting of hydrogen and ethyl.

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19. The compound of claim 17, wherein:

Z is structure A, wherein:

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m is 1;

n is 3;

R<sub>5</sub> is 1,2-ethylene; and

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R<sub>6</sub> and R<sub>7</sub> are directly attached and, combined, is 1,2-ethylene.

20. The compound of claim 17, wherein:

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Z is structure C, wherein:

K is absent or, if present, is 1,3-propylene.

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21. The compound of claim 16, wherein Z is structure B.

22. The compound of claim 21, wherein the cyclic portion of structure B is selected from the group consisting of pyrrolidine, piperidine and piperazine.

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23. The compound of claim 22, wherein:

the cyclic portion of structure B is selected from the group consisting of 1,2-pyrrolidene, 1,2-piperidene and  
5 1,4-piperazene, wherein R<sub>5</sub> is directly connected at the 2-position, 2'-position and 4-position, respectively,

R<sub>5</sub> is selected from the group consisting of methylene and ethylene; and

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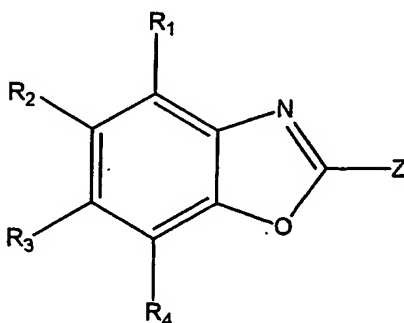
R<sub>8</sub> and R<sub>9</sub> are, independently selected from the group consisting of hydrogen, methyl, ethyl, hydroxyethyl, benzyl, cyclohexyl, isobutyl, propyl, butyl, sec-butyl, hexyl, heptyl, allyl, cyanoethyl, 2-picoly, 15 cyclohexylmethyl, cyclohexylethane-1,1-diyl, N,N-diethylaminoethyl, N,N-dimethylaminopropyl and neopentyl; or

R<sub>8</sub> and R<sub>9</sub>, together with the adjoining nitrogen atom  
20 depicted in structure B are, collectively, selected from the group consisting of pyrrolidin-1-yl, piperidin-1-yl, 3-(carboxamide)piperidin-1-yl, 2-(carboxamide)pyrrolidin-1-yl, 4-(methyl)piperazin-1-yl, morpholin-4-yl, 2-(hydroxymethyl)piperidin-1-yl, 4-  
25 (ethylcarboxylate)piperidin-1-yl, 4-(phenyl)piperazin-1-yl, 4-(2-pyrimidyl)-piperazin-1-yl, thiomorpholin-4-yl, 4-(benzyl)piperazin-1-yl, 3-(ethylcarboxylate)piperidin-1-yl, 4-(hydroxy)piperidin-1-yl, 3,5-(dimethyl)piperazin-1-yl, homopiperazin-1-yl, 4-(methyl)homopiperazin-1-yl, 2-  
30 (methyl)piperidin-1-yl, 3,5-(dimethyl)piperidin-1-yl, 3-

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(N,N-dimethylamino)pyrrolidin-1-yl, 3-(amino)pyrrolidin-1-yl, homopiperidin-1-yl, decahydroquinolin-1-yl and tetrahydroisoquinolin-1-yl.

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- wherein  $R_1$  and  $R_4$ , and one of  $R_2$  and  $R_3$ , are independently selected from the group consisting of a hydrogen atom, halo, hydroxy, protected hydroxy, cyano,  $C_1$  to  $C_{12}$  alkyl,  $C_2$  to  $C_{12}$  alkenyl,  $C_2$  to  $C_{12}$  alkynyl,  $C_1$  to  $C_{12}$  substituted alkyl,  $C_2$  to  $C_{12}$  substituted alkenyl,  $C_2$  to  $C_{12}$  substituted alkynyl,  $C_1$  to  $C_{12}$  alkoxy,  $C_1$  to  $C_{12}$  substituted alkoxy,  $C_1$  to  $C_{12}$  acyloxy,  $C_1$  to  $C_{12}$  acyl,  $C_3$  to  $C_7$  cycloalkyl,  $C_3$  to  $C_7$  substituted cycloalkyl,  $C_5$  to  $C_7$  cycloalkenyl,  $C_5$  to  $C_7$  substituted cycloalkenyl, heterocyclic ring, substituted heterocyclic ring,  $C_7$  to  $C_{18}$  phenylalkyl,  $C_7$  to  $C_{18}$  substituted phenylalkyl,  $C_1$  to  $C_{12}$  heterocycloalkyl,  $C_1$  to  $C_{12}$  substituted heterocycloalkyl, phenyl, substituted phenyl, naphthyl, substituted naphthyl, cyclic  $C_2$  to  $C_7$  alkylene, substituted cyclic  $C_2$  to  $C_7$  alkylene, cyclic  $C_2$  to  $C_7$  heteroalkylene, substituted cyclic  $C_2$  to  $C_7$
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- heteroalkylene, carboxy, protected carboxy, hydroxymethyl, protected hydroxymethyl, protected amino, protected (monosubstituted)amino, (disubstituted)amino, C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>10</sub> alkyl protected amino, C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>10</sub> alkyl protected
- 5 (monosubstituted)amino, C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>10</sub> alkyl(disubstituted)amino, C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>10</sub> substituted alkylamino, C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>10</sub> substituted alkyl protected (monosubstituted)amino, C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>10</sub> substituted alkyl(disubstituted)amino, carboxamide, C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>10</sub> alkylthio, C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>10</sub> substituted alkylthio, C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>10</sub> alkylsulfonyl, C<sub>1</sub>
- 10 to C<sub>10</sub> substituted alkylsulfonyl, C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>10</sub> alkylsulfoxide, C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>10</sub> substituted alkylsulfoxide, phenylthio, substituted phenylthio, phenylsulfoxide, substituted phenylsulfoxide, phenylsulfonyl, substituted phenylsulfonyl and the group consisting of (i) the formula -C(O)NR<sup>11</sup>R<sup>12</sup>,
- 15 (ii) the formula -SR<sup>11</sup>, (iii) the formula -OR<sup>11</sup> and (iv) the formula -C(O)OR<sup>11</sup>, wherein R<sup>11</sup> and R<sup>12</sup> are, independently, selected from the group consisting of a hydrogen atom, C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>12</sub> alkyl, C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>12</sub> substituted alkyl, C<sub>2</sub> to C<sub>12</sub> alkenyl, C<sub>2</sub> to C<sub>12</sub> substituted alkenyl, phenyl, substituted phenyl,
- 20 naphthyl, substituted naphthyl, C<sub>7</sub> to C<sub>18</sub> phenylalkyl, C<sub>7</sub> to C<sub>18</sub> substituted phenylalkyl, C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>12</sub> heterocycloalkyl, C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>12</sub> substituted heterocycloalkyl, heteroaryl, substituted heteroaryl, heterocycle and substituted heterocycle;
- 25 the other of R<sub>2</sub> and R<sub>3</sub> is selected from the group consisting of a hydrogen atom, halo, hydroxy, protected hydroxy, carboxy, thio, C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>12</sub> alkyl, C<sub>2</sub> to C<sub>12</sub> alkenyl, C<sub>2</sub> to C<sub>12</sub> alkynyl, C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>12</sub> substituted alkyl, C<sub>2</sub> to C<sub>12</sub> substituted alkenyl, C<sub>2</sub> to C<sub>12</sub> substituted alkynyl, C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>12</sub> alkoxy, C<sub>1</sub>
- 30 to C<sub>12</sub> substituted alkoxy, C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>12</sub> acyloxy, C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>12</sub> acyl,

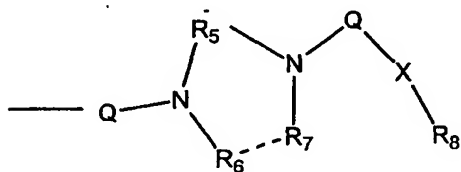
- $C_3$  to  $C_7$  cycloalkyl,  $C_3$  to  $C_7$  substituted cycloalkyl,  $C_5$  to  $C_7$  cycloalkenyl,  $C_5$  to  $C_7$  substituted cycloalkenyl, heterocyclic ring, substituted heterocyclic ring,  $C_7$  to  $C_{18}$  phenylalkyl,  $C_7$  to  $C_{18}$  substituted phenylalkyl,  $C_1$  to  $C_{12}$  heterocycloalkyl,  $C_1$  to  $C_{12}$  substituted heterocycloalkyl, phenyl, substituted phenyl, naphthyl, substituted naphthyl, cyclic  $C_2$  to  $C_7$  alkylene, substituted cyclic  $C_2$  to  $C_7$  alkylene, cyclic  $C_2$  to  $C_7$  heteroalkylene, substituted cyclic  $C_2$  to  $C_7$  heteroalkylene, carboxy, protected carboxy, hydroxymethyl, protected hydroxymethyl, protected amino, protected (monosubstituted)amino, (disubstituted)amino,  $C_1$  to  $C_{10}$  alkyl protected amino,  $C_1$  to  $C_{10}$  alkyl protected (monosubstituted)amino,  $C_1$  to  $C_{10}$  alkyl(disubstituted)amino,  $C_1$  to  $C_{10}$  substituted alkyl protected amino,  $C_1$  to  $C_{10}$  substituted alkyl protected (monosubstituted)amino,  $C_1$  to  $C_{10}$  substituted alkyl(disubstituted)amino, carboxamide,  $C_1$  to  $C_{10}$  alkylthio,  $C_1$  to  $C_{10}$  substituted alkylthio,  $C_1$  to  $C_{10}$  alkylsulfonyl,  $C_1$  to  $C_{10}$  substituted alkylsulfonyl,  $C_1$  to  $C_{10}$  alkylsulfoxide,  $C_1$  to  $C_{10}$  substituted alkylsulfoxide, phenylthio, substituted phenylthio, phenylsulfoxide, substituted phenylsulfoxide, phenylsulfonyl, substituted phenylsulfonyl and the group consisting of (i) the formula  $-C(O)NR^{11}R^{12}$ , (ii) the formula  $-SR^{11}$ , (iii) the formula  $-OR^{11}$ , (iv) the formula  $-C(O)OR^{11}$  and (v) the formula  $S(O)_2NR^{11}R^{12}$ , wherein  $R^{11}$  and  $R^{12}$  are, independently, selected from the group consisting of a hydrogen atom,  $C_1$  to  $C_{12}$  alkyl,  $C_1$  to  $C_{12}$  substituted alkyl,  $C_2$  to  $C_{12}$  alkenyl,  $C_2$  to  $C_{12}$  substituted alkenyl, phenyl, substituted phenyl, naphthyl, substituted naphthyl,  $C_7$  to  $C_{18}$  phenylalkyl,  $C_7$  to  $C_{18}$  substituted phenylalkyl,  $C_1$  to  $C_{12}$  heterocycloalkyl,  $C_1$  to

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C<sub>12</sub> substituted heterocycloalkyl, heteroaryl, substituted heteroaryl, heterocycle and substituted heterocycle;

Z is the structure A:

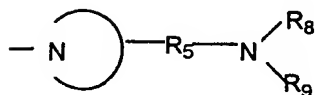
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or the structure B:

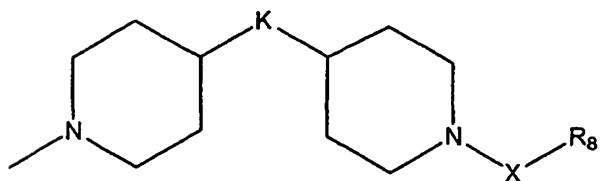
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or the structure C:

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30 wherein, in structure A, Q is the formula  $((CH_2)_nNH)_m$ , where m is 0 or 1, n is 1 to 6 and the alkylene portion of Q is directly attached to the depicted nitrogen atom in

structure A; and the dotted line between R<sub>6</sub> and R<sub>7</sub> indicates that R<sub>6</sub> and R<sub>7</sub> are optionally directly attached;

wherein, in structure B, the depicted cyclic portion is an  
5 unsubstituted or substituted heterocycle that is fully saturated, contains 4 to 7 ring atoms, 1 to 2 nitrogen rings atoms and 0 to 1 other heteroatoms selected from oxygen and sulfur;

10 wherein, in structure C, K is absent or present and, if present, is a C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>12</sub> alkylene;

R<sub>5</sub> is selected from the group consisting of C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>10</sub> alkylene, C<sub>2</sub> to C<sub>10</sub> alkenylene, C<sub>2</sub> to C<sub>10</sub> alkynylene, C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>10</sub>  
15 substituted alkylene, C<sub>2</sub> to C<sub>10</sub> substituted alkenylene, C<sub>2</sub> to C<sub>10</sub> substituted alkynylene, substituted epimino, C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>5</sub> substituted alkylene epimino, thio, C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>10</sub> alkylene thio, C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>10</sub> substituted alkylene thio, sulfonyl, C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>10</sub> alkylene sulfonyl, C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>10</sub> substituted alkylene sulfonyl,  
20 sulfinyl, C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>10</sub> alkylene sulfinyl, C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>10</sub> substituted alkylene sulfinyl, oxy, C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>10</sub> alkylene oxy, C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>10</sub> substituted alkylene oxy, C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>10</sub> alkylene dioxy, C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>10</sub> substituted alkylene dioxy, C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>10</sub> alkylene trioxy and C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>10</sub> substituted alkylene trioxy;

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X is absent or present and, if present, is selected from the group consisting of carbonyl, thiocarbonyl, thioester, sulfonyl and sulfinyl;

30 where R<sub>6</sub> and R<sub>7</sub> are not directly attached to each other, they are independently selected from the group consisting of

a hydrogen atom, C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>12</sub> alkyl, C<sub>2</sub> to C<sub>12</sub> alkenyl, C<sub>2</sub> to C<sub>12</sub> alkynyl, C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>12</sub> substituted alkyl, C<sub>2</sub> to C<sub>12</sub> substituted alkenyl, C<sub>2</sub> to C<sub>12</sub> substituted alkynyl, C<sub>3</sub> to C<sub>7</sub> cycloalkyl, C<sub>3</sub> to C<sub>7</sub> substituted cycloalkyl, C<sub>5</sub> to C<sub>7</sub> cycloalkenyl, C<sub>5</sub> to C<sub>7</sub> substituted cycloalkenyl, heterocyclic ring, substituted heterocyclic ring, C<sub>7</sub> to C<sub>18</sub> phenylalkyl, C<sub>7</sub> to C<sub>18</sub> substituted phenylalkyl, C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>12</sub> heterocycloalkyl, C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>12</sub> substituted heterocycloalkyl, cyclic C<sub>2</sub> to C<sub>7</sub> alkylene, substituted cyclic C<sub>2</sub> to C<sub>7</sub> alkylene, cyclic C<sub>2</sub> to C<sub>7</sub> heteroalkylene, substituted cyclic C<sub>2</sub> to C<sub>7</sub> heteroalkylene, hydroxymethyl and protected hydroxymethyl; or

where R<sub>6</sub> and R<sub>7</sub> are directly attached to each other are, collectively selected from the group consisting of C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>5</sub> alkylene, C<sub>2</sub> to C<sub>5</sub> alkenylene, C<sub>2</sub> to C<sub>5</sub> alkynylene, C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>5</sub> substituted alkylene, C<sub>2</sub> to C<sub>5</sub> substituted alkenylene, C<sub>2</sub> to C<sub>5</sub> substituted alkynylene, substituted epimino, C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>5</sub> substituted alkylene epimino, thio, C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>5</sub> alkylene thio, C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>5</sub> substituted alkylene thio, sulfonyl, C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>5</sub> alkylene sulfonyl, C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>5</sub> substituted alkylene sulfonyl, sulfinyl, C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>5</sub> alkylene sulfinyl, C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>5</sub> substituted alkylene sulfinyl, oxy, C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>5</sub> alkylene oxy, C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>5</sub> substituted alkylene oxy, C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>5</sub> alkylene dioxy, C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>5</sub> substituted alkylene dioxy, C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>5</sub> alkylene trioxy and C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>5</sub> substituted alkylene trioxy; and

X is absent or present and, if present, is selected from the group consisting of carbonyl, thiocarbonyl, thioester, sulfonyl and sulfinyl; and

$R_8$  and, if present,  $R_9$  are independently selected from the group consisting of a hydrogen atom,  $C_1$  to  $C_{12}$  alkyl,  $C_2$  to  $C_{12}$  alkenyl,  $C_2$  to  $C_{12}$  alkynyl,  $C_1$  to  $C_{12}$  substituted alkyl,  $C_2$  to  $C_{12}$  substituted alkenyl,  $C_2$  to  $C_{12}$  substituted alkynyl,  $C_3$  to  $C_7$  cycloalkyl,  $C_3$  to  $C_7$  substituted cycloalkyl,  $C_5$  to  $C_7$  cycloalkenyl,  $C_5$  to  $C_7$  substituted cycloalkenyl, heterocyclic ring, substituted heterocyclic ring,  $C_7$  to  $C_{18}$  phenylalkyl,  $C_7$  to  $C_{18}$  substituted phenylalkyl,  $C_1$  to  $C_{12}$  heterocycloalkyl,  $C_1$  to  $C_{12}$  substituted heterocycloalkyl, phenyl, substituted phenyl, naphthyl, substituted naphthyl, cyclic  $C_2$  to  $C_7$  alkylene, substituted cyclic  $C_2$  to  $C_7$  alkylene, cyclic  $C_2$  to  $C_7$  heteroalkylene, substituted cyclic  $C_2$  to  $C_7$  heteroalkylene, protected hydroxymethyl, protected amino, (monosubstituted)amino, protected (monosubstituted)amino, (disubstituted)amino,  $C_1$  to  $C_{10}$  alkylamino,  $C_1$  to  $C_{10}$  alkyl protected amino,  $C_1$  to  $C_{10}$  alkyl (monosubstituted)amino,  $C_1$  to  $C_{10}$  alkyl, protected (monosubstituted)amino,  $C_1$  to  $C_{10}$  alkyl(disubstituted)amino,  $C_1$  to  $C_{10}$  substituted alkylamino,  $C_1$  to  $C_{10}$  substituted alkyl protected amino,  $C_1$  to  $C_{10}$  substituted alkyl (monosubstituted)amino,  $C_1$  to  $C_{10}$  substituted alkyl protected (monosubstituted)amino,  $C_1$  to  $C_{10}$  substituted alkyl(disubstituted)amino, carboxamide, protected carboxamide, and the group consisting of (i) the formula  $-C(O)NR^{11}R^{12}$ , (ii) the formula  $-C(O)R^{11}$ , (iii) the formula  $-NR^{11}R^{12}$ , (iv) the formula  $-C(O)OR^{11}$ , wherein  $R^{11}$  and  $R^{12}$  are, independently, selected from the group consisting of a hydrogen atom,  $C_1$  to  $C_{12}$  alkyl,  $C_1$  to  $C_{12}$  substituted alkyl,  $C_2$  to  $C_{12}$  alkenyl,  $C_2$  to  $C_{12}$  substituted alkenyl, phenyl, substituted phenyl, naphthyl, substituted naphthyl,  $C_7$  to  $C_{18}$



- phenylalkyl, C<sub>7</sub> to C<sub>18</sub> substituted phenylalkyl, C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>12</sub> heterocycloalkyl, C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>12</sub> substituted heterocycloalkyl, heteroaryl, substituted heteroaryl, heterocycle, substituted heterocycle, C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>12</sub> acyl, C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>12</sub> substituted acyl,
- 5 phenylsulfonyl, substituted phenylsulfonyl, C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>10</sub> alkylsulfonyl, C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>10</sub> substituted alkylsulfonyl, C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>12</sub> alkylaminocarbonyl, C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>12</sub> substituted alkylaminocarbonyl, phenylaminocarbonyl, and substituted phenylaminocarbonyl; or
- 10 R<sub>8</sub> and R<sub>9</sub>, together with the adjoining nitrogen depicted in structure B are, collectively, selected from the group consisting of heterocycle and substituted heterocycle;
- provided that, if X is carbonyl, R<sub>8</sub> is not alkoxy; and
- 15 provided that X can only be absent where R<sub>6</sub> and R<sub>7</sub> are not directly attached to each other; or
- a salt of said compound.
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25. The combinatorial library of claim 24, wherein: R<sub>1</sub> and R<sub>4</sub> are independently selected from the group consisting of a hydrogen atom, halo, C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>12</sub> alkyl and C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>12</sub> substituted alkyl.
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26. The combinatorial library of claim 24, wherein:
- one of R<sub>2</sub> and R<sub>3</sub> is selected from the group consisting of a hydrogen atom, halo, C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>12</sub> alkyl and C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>12</sub>
- 30 substituted alkyl; and the other of R<sub>2</sub> and R<sub>3</sub> is selected from the group consisting of hydrogen atom, halo, hydroxy,

carboxy, thio, carboxamide, the formula  $-C(O)NR^{11}R^{12}$  and the formula  $S(O)_2NR^{11}R^{12}$ , wherein  $R^{11}$  and  $R^{12}$  are, independently, selected from the group consisting of a hydrogen atom,  $C_1$  to  $C_{12}$  alkyl,  $C_1$  to  $C_{12}$  substituted alkyl,  $C_2$  to  $C_{12}$  alkenyl,  $C_2$  to  $C_{12}$  substituted alkenyl, phenyl, substituted phenyl, naphthyl, substituted naphthyl,  $C_7$  to  $C_{18}$  phenylalkyl,  $C_7$  to  $C_{18}$  substituted phenylalkyl,  $C_1$  to  $C_{12}$  heterocycloalkyl and  $C_1$  to  $C_{12}$  substituted heterocycloalkyl.

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28. The combinatorial library of claim 24, wherein:

$R_8$  and, if present,  $R_9$  are independently selected from the group consisting of a hydrogen atom,  $C_1$  to  $C_{12}$  alkyl,  $C_2$  to  $C_{12}$  alkenyl,  $C_2$  to  $C_{12}$  alkynyl,  $C_1$  to  $C_{12}$  substituted alkyl,  $C_2$  to  $C_{12}$  substituted alkenyl,  $C_3$  to  $C_7$  cycloalkyl,  $C_3$  to  $C_7$  substituted cycloalkyl,  $C_5$  to  $C_7$  cycloalkenyl,  $C_5$  to  $C_7$  substituted cycloalkenyl, heterocyclic ring, substituted heterocyclic ring,  $C_7$  to  $C_{18}$  phenylalkyl,  $C_7$  to  $C_{18}$  substituted phenylalkyl,  $C_1$  to  $C_{12}$  heterocycloalkyl,  $C_1$  to  $C_{12}$  substituted heterocycloalkyl, phenyl, substituted phenyl, cyclic  $C_2$  to  $C_7$  alkylene, substituted cyclic  $C_2$  to  $C_7$  alkylene, cyclic  $C_2$  to  $C_7$  heteroalkylene and substituted cyclic  $C_2$  to  $C_7$  heteroalkylene; or

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R<sub>8</sub> and R<sub>9</sub>, together with the adjoining nitrogen depicted in structure B are, collectively, selected from the group consisting of heterocycle and substituted heterocycle.

5           29. The combinatorial library of claim 24, wherein R<sub>5</sub> is selected from the group consisting of C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>8</sub> alkylene and C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>8</sub> substituted alkylene.

          30. The combinatorial library of claim 24, wherein R<sub>6</sub>  
10 and R<sub>7</sub> are directly attached to each other and are, collectively, selected from the group consisting of C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>5</sub> alkylene and C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>5</sub> substituted alkylene.

          31. The combinatorial library of claim 24, wherein X is  
15 absent.

          32. The combinatorial library of claim 24, wherein X is selected from the group consisting of carbonyl and sulfonyl.

20           33. The combinatorial library of claim 24, wherein:

R<sub>1</sub> and R<sub>4</sub>, and one of R<sub>2</sub> and R<sub>3</sub>, are independently selected from the group consisting of a hydrogen atom, halo, protected hydroxy, cyano, C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>12</sub> alkyl, C<sub>2</sub> to C<sub>12</sub> alkenyl, C<sub>2</sub> to C<sub>12</sub> alkynyl, C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>12</sub> substituted alkyl, C<sub>2</sub> to C<sub>12</sub> substituted alkenyl, C<sub>2</sub> to C<sub>12</sub> substituted alkynyl, C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>12</sub> alkoxy, C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>12</sub> substituted alkoxy, phenyl, substituted phenyl, (disubstituted)amino, C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>10</sub> alkylthio and C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>10</sub> substituted alkylthio;

the other of  $R_2$  and  $R_3$  is selected from the group consisting of a hydrogen atom, halo, hydroxy, carboxy, thio, carboxamide, the formula  $-C(O)NR^{11}R^{12}$  and the formula  $S(O)_2NR^{11}R^{12}$ , wherein  $R^{11}$  and  $R^{12}$  are, independently, selected  
5 from the group consisting of a hydrogen atom,  $C_1$  to  $C_{12}$  alkyl,  $C_1$  to  $C_{12}$  substituted alkyl,  $C_2$  to  $C_{12}$  alkenyl,  $C_2$  to  $C_{12}$  substituted alkenyl, phenyl, substituted phenyl, naphthyl, substituted naphthyl,  $C_7$  to  $C_{18}$  phenylalkyl,  $C_7$  to  $C_{18}$  substituted phenylalkyl,  $C_1$  to  $C_{12}$  heterocycloalkyl and  
10  $C_1$  to  $C_{12}$  substituted heterocycloalkyl; and

where  $R_6$  and  $R_7$  are not directly attached to each other, are independently selected from the group consisting of a hydrogen atom,  $C_1$  to  $C_{12}$  alkyl,  $C_1$  to  $C_{12}$  substituted alkyl,  
15  $C_3$  to  $C_7$  cycloalkyl and  $C_3$  to  $C_7$  substituted cycloalkyl;

$R_8$  and, if present,  $R_9$  are independently selected from the group consisting of a hydrogen atom,  $C_1$  to  $C_{12}$  alkyl,  $C_2$  to  $C_{12}$  alkenyl,  $C_2$  to  $C_{12}$  alkynyl,  $C_1$  to  $C_{12}$  substituted alkyl,  $C_2$   
20 to  $C_{12}$  substituted alkenyl,  $C_3$  to  $C_7$  cycloalkyl,  $C_3$  to  $C_7$  substituted cycloalkyl,  $C_5$  to  $C_7$  cycloalkenyl,  $C_5$  to  $C_7$  substituted cycloalkenyl, heterocyclic ring, substituted heterocyclic ring,  $C_7$  to  $C_{18}$  phenylalkyl,  $C_7$  to  $C_{18}$  substituted phenylalkyl,  $C_1$  to  $C_{12}$  heterocycloalkyl,  $C_1$  to  $C_{12}$   
25 substituted heterocycloalkyl, phenyl, substituted phenyl, cyclic  $C_2$  to  $C_7$  alkylene, substituted cyclic  $C_2$  to  $C_7$  alkylene, cyclic  $C_2$  to  $C_7$  heteroalkylene and substituted cyclic  $C_2$  to  $C_7$  heteroalkylene; or

R<sub>8</sub> and R<sub>9</sub>, together with the adjoining nitrogen depicted in structure B are, collectively, selected from the group consisting of heterocycle and substituted heterocycle; and

- 5 R<sub>5</sub> is selected from the group consisting of C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>8</sub> alkylene and C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>8</sub> substituted alkylene;

where R<sub>6</sub> and R<sub>7</sub> are directly attached to each other, they are, collectively, selected from the group consisting of C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>5</sub> alkylene and C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>5</sub> substituted alkylene; and  
10 X is absent or present and, if present, is selected from the group consisting of carbonyl and sulfonyl.

34. The combinatorial library of claim 24, wherein Z is  
15 the structure A.

35. The combinatorial library of claim 24, wherein Z is the structure B.

- 20 36. The combinatorial library of claim 34, wherein R<sub>6</sub> and R<sub>7</sub> are directly attached to each other.

37. The combinatorial library of claim 34, wherein R<sub>6</sub> and R<sub>7</sub> are not directly attached to each other.

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38. The combinatorial library of claim 34, wherein the cyclic portion of structure A is selected from the group consisting of 1,4-piperazine and 1,4-homopiperazine.

- 30 39. The combinatorial library of claim 24, wherein:

R<sub>1</sub> and R<sub>4</sub> are each hydrogen; and

one of R<sub>2</sub> and R<sub>3</sub> is hydrogen and the other is the formula  
5 -C(O)NR<sup>11</sup>R<sup>12</sup>, wherein one of R<sup>11</sup> and R<sup>12</sup> is hydrogen and the  
other is selected from the group consisting of 2-  
morpholin-4-yl-ethyl, 3-pyrrolidin-1-yl-propyl, allyl,  
3-fluorobenzyl, 2-piperidin-1-yl-ethyl, 4-morpholino-3-  
propyl, ethyl-4-butyryl, 2-methoxyethyl, benzyl, 4-  
10 methylbenzyl, N,N-diethylethylene, N,N-diethyl-1,3-  
propylene, 3,5-dimethoxybenzyl, 4-fluorophenethyl, 4-  
fluorobenzyl, 2-fluorophenethyl, 2-(3,4-  
dimethoxyphenyl)ethyl, 2-pyridin-2-yl-ethyl, propargyl, 2-  
pyrrolidin-1-yl-ethyl, 2-chlorobenzyl, cyclopropyl,  
15 pyridin-3-yl-methyl, 2-thiophenemethyl, 3-  
(methylthio)propyl, cyclohexanemethyl, 2-ethoxyethyl,  
cyclopentyl, cyclohexyl, 3-chlorobenzyl, 4-  
methoxyphenethyl, 2-(4-chlorophenyl)ethyl, 3-dimethylamino-  
1-propyl, 3,4-dimethoxybenzyl, 2-bromobenzyl, N-(3-propyl)-  
20 N-methylaniline, 2-propionic acid, 2-(3-phenyl)-propionic  
acid, 2-(4-methyl)-pentanoic acid, (±)-tetrahydrofuryl,  
3-imidazol-1-yl-propyl, 2-trifluoromethylbenzyl,  
cycloheptyl, 2,4-dichlorophenethyl, 1-(3-propyl)-  
pyrrolidin-2-one, 4-tert-butylcyclohexyl, 2,2,6,6-  
25 tetramethyl-piperidin-4-yl, 5-diethylamino-2-pentyl,  
1,3-dimethylbutyl, 2,4-dimethylbenzyl, thiophene-2-ethyl,  
4-methoxyphenyl, 4-piperidino-1-carboxylic acid ethyl  
ester, 3-methoxybenzyl, N-1-ethyl-N-1-m-tolyl-2-ethyl, 1-  
benzyl-piperidin-4-yl, 1-methyl-3-phenylpropyl, 2-  
30 fluorobenzyl, 3-(trifluoromethyl)benzyl,

piperonyl, 1-naphthalenemethyl, 3,4-dichlorobenzyl, (R)-(-)-1-cyclohexylethyl, (+/-)-1-(1-naphthyl)ethyl, 4-(trifluoromethoxy)benzyl and 5-guanidinopentanoic acid-2-yl.

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40. The combinatorial library of claim 39, wherein

Z is the structure A or the structure C, wherein:

10 X is carbonyl and the combination of X-R<sub>8</sub> is selected from the group consisting of benzoyl, methoxyacetyl, tert-butylacetyl, 2,4-difluorobenzoyl, 2,4-dimethylbenzoyl, 2-ethylhexanoyl, 2-propylpentanoyl, 3-indolepropionyl, N-phenylanthranilyl, trans-2-carboxycyclohexanoyl, cyclohex-3-  
15 en-oyl, trans-pent-2-en-oyl, 1-methyl-1-cyclohexanoyl, 1-acetylpiperidine-4-carbonyl, cyclopropanecarbonyl, methanesulfonylacetyl, 5-hexynoyl, 3-furoyl, 3,4-difluorophenylacetyl, 3-benzoyl-benzoyl, 2-(trifluoromethyl)phenylacetyl, 4-  
20 (trifluoromethyl)phenylacetyl, 2-acetylamino-3-(1H-indol-3-yl)-propionyl, 3-(phenylsulfonyl)propionyl, 2-benzyloxyphenylacetyl, benzo(b)thiophene-3-acetyl, 3-fluoro-2-methyl-benzoyl, 1-methylcyclopropane-1-carboxyl, (-)-menthoxyacetyl, cyclohexyl-1-acetic acid-1-  
25 methylcarbonyl, 2-(3-trifluoromethyl-phenylamino)-benzoyl, 2-ketobutyryl, 2-ethyl-2-hydroxybutyryl, 5-chlorovaleryl, 1-acetyl-pyrrolidine-2-carbonyl, 5-chlorothiophene-2-carboxyl, 2-(2-methoxyethoxy)acetyl, 2-methyl-3-furoyl, 6-heptynoyl, 5-methylisoxazole-4-carbonyl; or

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X is sulfonyl and the combination of X-R<sub>8</sub> is selected from the group consisting of 2-mesitylenesulfonyl, 2-naphthenesulfonyl, 2-thiophenesulfonyl, 4-chlorobenzenesulfonyl, 4-fluorobenzenesulfonyl, N-  
5 acetylsulfanilyl, 2-acetomide-4-methyl-5-thiazolesulfonyl, 4-tert-butylbenzenesulfonyl, 8-quinolinesulfonyl, 3-chloro-4-fluorobenzenesulphonyl, 4-ethylbenzenesulfonyl, pentamethylbenzenesulfonyl, 2,4-dichlorobenzenesulphonyl, 2-chloro-6-methylbenzenesulphonyl, 3,4-  
10 difluorobenzenesulphonyl, 3,5-dichlorobenzenesulfonyl, 3-chlorobenzenesulfonyl, 3-fluorobenzenesulphonyl, 4-trifluoromethylbenzenesulphonyl, 2-(methoxycarbonyl)thiophene-3-sulfonyl, 1-methylimidazole-4-sulfonyl, 3-chloro-4-methylbenzenesulfonyl, 4-  
15 isopropylbenzenesulphonyl, 3,4-dichlorobenzenesulfonyl, 1-naphthalenesulfonyl, 3-nitrobenzenesulfonyl, 4-bromobenzenesulfonyl, 4-nitrobenzenesulfonyl, 2,3,5,6-tetramethylbenzenesulfonyl, p-xylene-2-sulfonyl, 4-n-propylbenzenesulfonyl, 4-n-amylbenzenesulfonyl,  
20 2-chlorobenzenesulfonyl, 5-chlorothiophene-2-sulfonyl, m-toluenesulfonyl, 2-bromobenzenesulfonyl, p-styrenesulfonyl, 4-pentylbenzene-1-sulfonyl, 4-n-butylbenzenesulfonyl and 2-methylsulfonylbenzenesulfonyl.

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41. The combinatorial library of claim 40, wherein:

Z is the structure A, wherein:

30 m is 0;



R<sub>5</sub> is selected from the group consisting of 1,4-butylene, 1,2-ethylene and 1,3-propylene;

- 5 R<sub>6</sub> and R<sub>7</sub> are directly attached and, combined, is 1,2-ethylene; or R<sub>6</sub> and R<sub>7</sub> are not directly attached and are each selected from the group consisting of hydrogen and ethyl.

- 10 42. The combinatorial library of claim 40, wherein:

Z is the structure A, wherein:

m is 1;

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n is 3;

R<sub>5</sub> is 1,2-ethylene; and

- 20 R<sub>6</sub> and R<sub>7</sub> are directly attached and, combined, is 1,2-ethylene.

43. The combinatorial library of claim 40, wherein:

- 25 Z is structure C, wherein:

K is absent or, if present, is 1,3-propylene.

- 30 44. The combinatorial library of claim 39, wherein Z is structure B.

45. The combinatorial library of claim 44, wherein the cyclic portion of structure B is selected from the group consisting of pyrrolidine, piperidine and piperazine.

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46. The combinatorial library of claim 45, wherein:

the cyclic portion of structure B is selected from the group consisting of 1,2-pyrrolidene, 1,2-piperidene and  
10 1,4-piperazene, wherein R<sub>5</sub> is directly connected at the 2-position, 2-position and 4-position, respectively;

R<sub>5</sub> is selected from the group consisting of methylene and ethylene; and

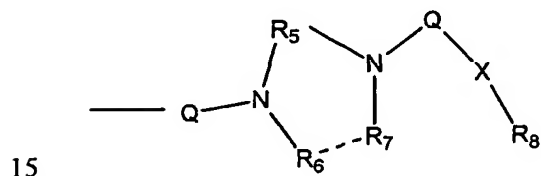
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R<sub>8</sub> and R<sub>9</sub> are, independently selected from the group consisting of hydrogen, methyl, ethyl, hydroxyethyl, benzyl, cyclohexyl, isobutyl, propyl, butyl, sec-butyl, hexyl, heptyl, allyl, cyanoethyl, 2-picolyl,  
20 cyclohexylmethyl, cyclohexylethane-1,1-diyl, N,N-diethylaminoethyl, N,N-dimethylaminopropyl and neopentyl; or

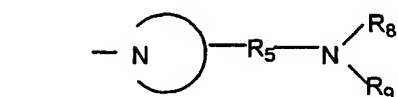
R<sub>8</sub> and R<sub>9</sub>, together with the adjoining nitrogen atom  
25 depicted in structure B are, collectively, selected from the group consisting of pyrrolidin-1-yl, piperidin-1-yl, 3-(carboxamide)piperidin-1-yl, 2-(carboxamide)pyrrolidin-1-yl, 4-(methyl)piperazin-1-yl, morpholin-4-yl, 2-(hydroxymethyl)piperidin-1-yl, 4-  
30 (ethylcarboxylate)piperidin-1-yl, 4-(phenyl)piperazin-1-yl,

4-(2-pyrimidyl)-piperazin-1-yl, thiomorpholin-4-yl, 4-(benzyl)piperazin-1-yl, 3-(ethylcarboxylate)piperidin-1-yl, 4-(hydroxy)piperidin-1-yl, 3,5-(dimethyl)piperazin-1-yl, homopiperazin-1-yl, 4-(methyl)homopiperazin-1-yl, 2-(methyl)piperidin-1-yl, 3,5-(dimethyl)piperidin-1-yl, 3-(N,N-dimethylamino)pyrrolidin-1-yl, 3-(amino)pyrrolidin-1-yl, homopiperidin-1-yl, decahydroquinolin-1-yl and tetrahydroisoquinolin-1-yl.

47. A method of making the compound of claim 1, comprising displacing a leaving group on the 2-position of a benzoxazole derivative with a diamine derivative selected from the group consisting of formula A:

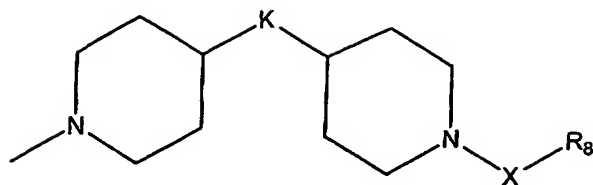


20 formula B:



and formula C:

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- wherein, in formula A, Q is the formula  $((CH_2)_nNH)_m$ , where  
 5 m is 0 or 1, n is 1 to 6 and the alkylene portion of Q is directly attached to the depicted nitrogen atom in formula A; and the dotted line between  $R_6$  and  $R_7$ , which are variable groups, indicates that  $R_6$  and  $R_7$  are optionally directly attached;
- 10 wherein, in formula B, the depicted cyclic portion is an unsubstituted or substituted heterocycle that is fully saturated, contains 4 to 7 ring atoms, 1 to 2 nitrogen  
 15 rings atoms and 0 to 1 other heteroatoms selected from oxygen and sulfur, and  $R_5$ ,  $R_8$  and  $R_9$  are variable groups;
- wherein, in formula C, K is absent or present and, if present, is a  $C_1$  to  $C_{12}$  alkylene, X optionally present as a carbonyl, thiocarbonyl, thioester, sulfonyl or sulfinyl  
 20 group, and  $R_8$  is a variable group.

48. The method of claim 47, wherein  $-Q-X-R_8$  of formula A or  $-X-R_8$  of formula C is attached to the rest of the formula by replacing a hydrogen.

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49. The method of claim 47, wherein  $-NR_8R_9$  of formula B is attached to the rest of the formula by displacing a leaving group.

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50. The method of claim 47, wherein said benzoxazole derivative is attached to resin.

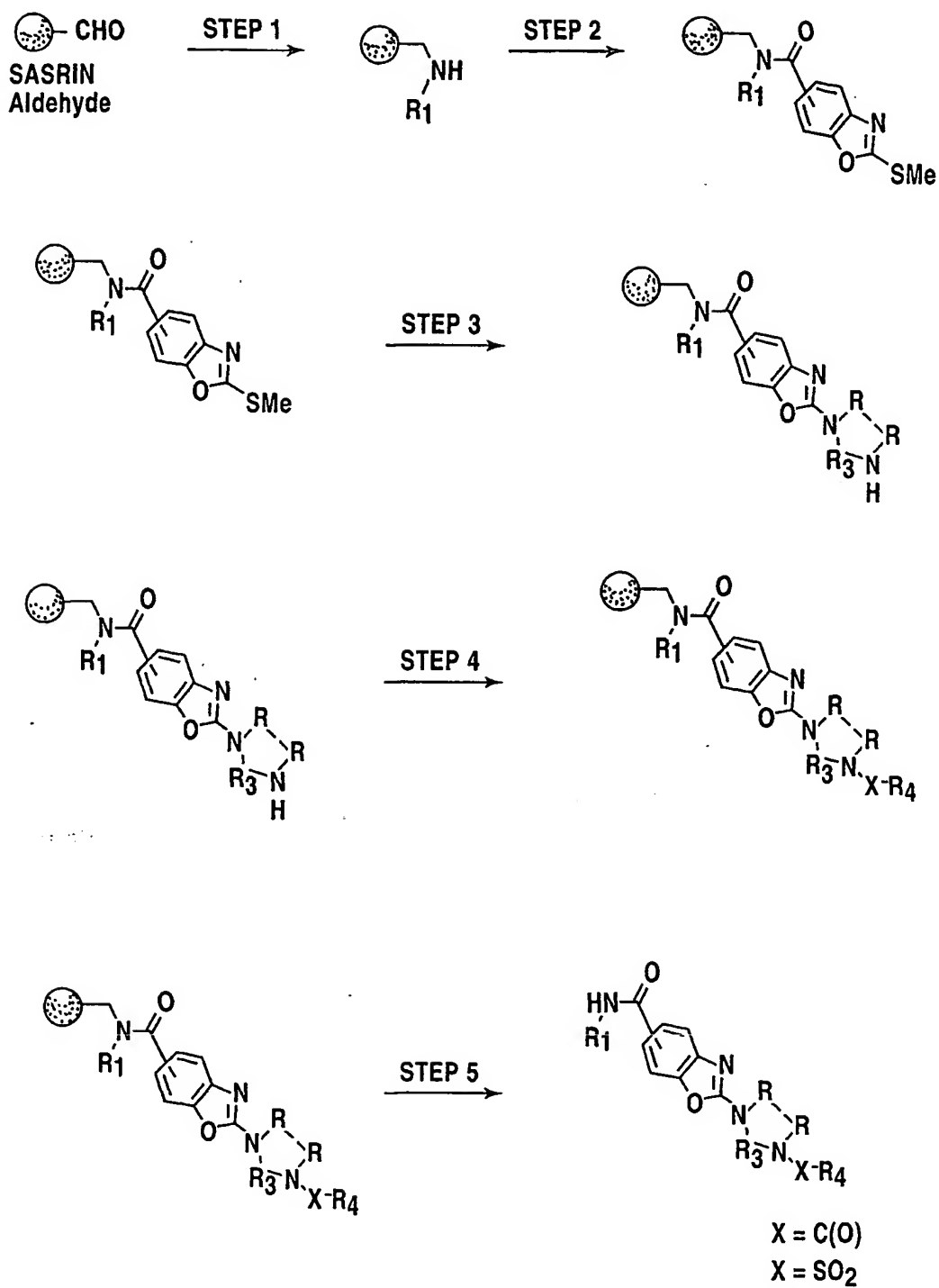
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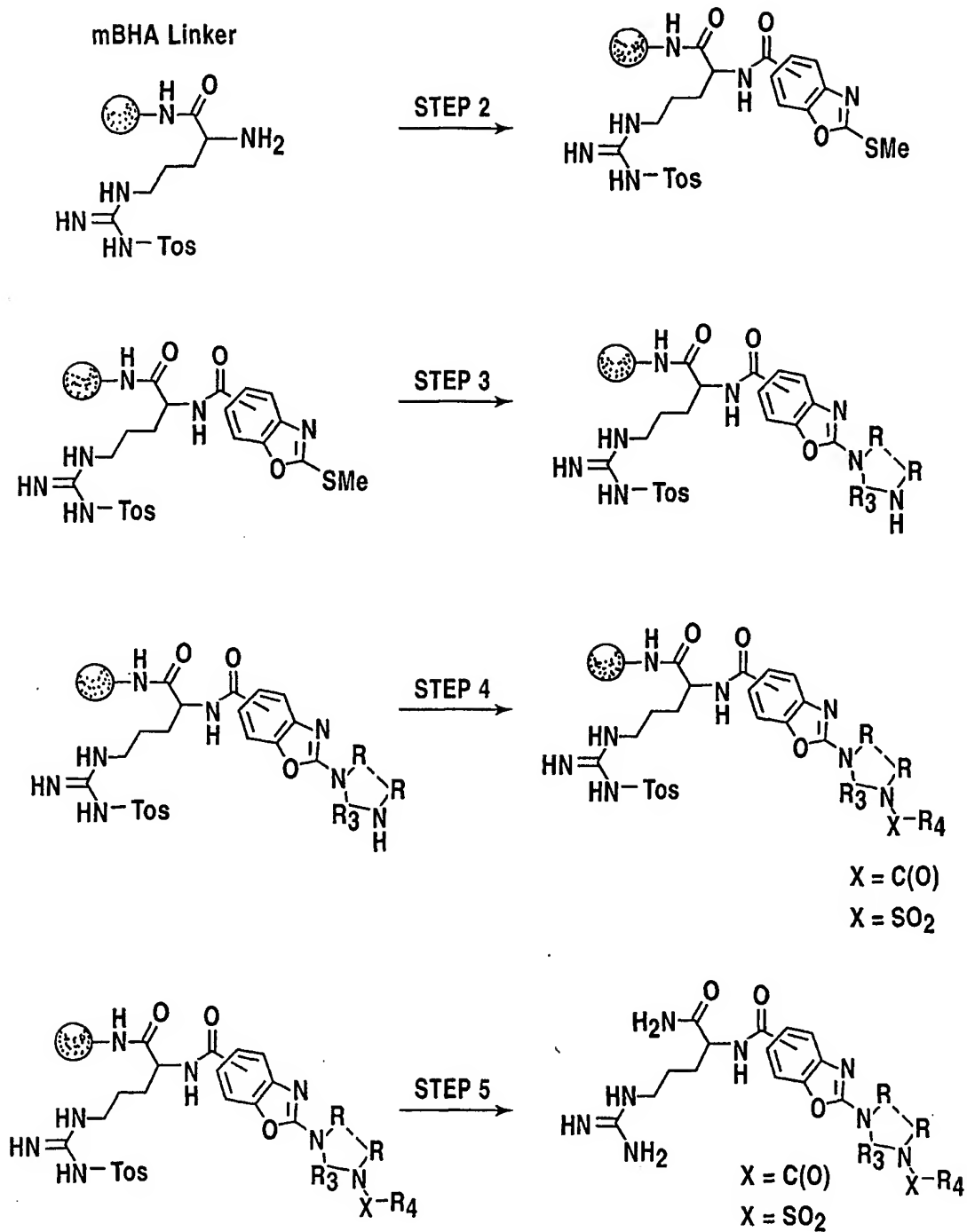
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Fig.3

